THE WEATHER

Snow, probably heavy, tonight and Tuesday; north to northeast winds.

THE LOWELL SUN

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MAJ. GEN. SCOTT WANTS ARMY OF 3,000,000 MEN

Chief of Staff of United States Army Recommends That Volunteer System Be Discarded and Urges Universal Liability to Military Training and Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—Maj. Gen. Scott, chief of staff of the army told the senate military committee today that the army general staff, recommended without apology, that the volunteer system be discarded because "the time has come when this country, unless it intends to avoid 'war at any cost' must resort to universal liability to military and service.

Arraigning the volunteer system as extravagant, inefficient and dangerous, the chief of staff told the committee that universal training would be democratic, reliable, efficient and economical and in a few years render the United States immune from attack.

Ready For War Before War Comes

"It would be democratic," he said, "because the burden of national defense would fall equally upon all citizens. It would make it impossible for any man or group of men to trade upon the nation's necessities in time of war. The system would be reliable because it would produce each year the number of men necessary to be trained. It would be economical because it would be based upon recognition by the people of the duty of the individual to render personal service and in carrying it into effect the government would not have to compete in the labor market. It would be efficient because it would enable us to prepare adequately for war before war comes."

At the outset Gen. Scott pointed out that the Mexican crisis had failed to recruit many National Guard organizations even to their minimum peace strength.

Volunteer System Failure

"The failure should make the whole people realize that the volunteer system does not and probably will not give us either the men we need in peace or for service in war," said he. Reviewing the intensive training which

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FAVOR CITY ENGINEER'S FIRST STREET PLANS

The Middlesex county commissioners gave a very important hearing this morning at the court house at 10 o'clock on the apportionment of cost between the city and county for the construction of a new state boulevard from First street in Centralville to the Dracut line. Commissioner Larson B. Barlow presided in the absence of Commissioner Levi Gould, who was holding a hearing at Cambridge, and the county was also represented by Commissioner Albert L. Cutting and Engineer F. H. Kendall.

The city of Lowell was represented by City Engineer Stephen Kearney, who stated at the outset that the mayor and present members of the municipal council are anxious to arrive at a definite agreement as to proportionate cost before the first of the year. He used many arguments to

STEPHEN KEARNEY,
City Engineer.

support the city's contention, and in the course of the meeting the commissioners virtually agreed to his proposals. Messrs. Barlow and Cutting said that before the end of the week the commissioners will take a vote on the matter and will send word immediately to the municipal council.

Mr. Kearney stated that the city of Lowell would have to reconstruct First street even though the state boulevard were not contemplated. Traffic there, he said, is wholly unsatisfactory and it was only after long discussion and many surveys and personal investigations that the city and county agreed to the principle of the present plan for a new river road from Reed street to the Dracut line. The city had not gone quite as far as the county finally did in pushing the projected plans to the Dracut boundary, but he asked the commissioners to consider that Lowell had invited a heavy expenditure by approving of plans along the river bank instead of a line closer to the embankment. This action was taken, he said, in order that the road might be a real improvement and the county approved the lines of the road as laid down by the city suggesting a change in any important particular.

At this point he introduced many maps and blue prints to show the approved plans and he said that the city would be satisfied if the commissioners went on record as being willing that the county should assume the cost of 25 per cent of the foundation work up to the sub grade. He argued that the percentage basis would be better than one based on definite estimates, owing to the uncertainty that obtains as to land ownership, etc. The probability is, he said, that the city will seize the land on both sides of the projected road for park purposes. The length of the road-link under consideration is 5200 feet. The entire cost up to the sub grade would be in the neighborhood of $40,000 and of this the county is asked to pay $10,000. The county will also have to pay 25 per cent. of the surfacing cost to the state and the city will have to construct the sidewalks.

Engineer F. H. Kendall said that, after consideration, the plans proposed by Engineer Kearney seem fair and reasonable and he referred the city engineer to the two members of the commission who were present. They expressed their willingness to approve of the plans presented by the city. Mr. Kendall borrowed plans and maps to show to Commissioner Gould and Commissioner Barlow stated that the definite vote of the commission would be favorable and would be sent to the municipal council not later than the end of next week.

Westford Road

Before the hearing on the First street boulevard, a hearing was granted by the commissioners on the petition of residents of Graniteville for the relocation of the road from Westford Centre to Graniteville. It was the second hearing on the petition.

The Barlow Vote

County Commissioner Barlow received this morning from the probate court the formal notification of his definite vote in the last election. It was 73,439, which, he said, is one of the highest votes ever cast for a county office. Tufts received 66,000, and Clerk Dillingham, who had no opposition, received 65,000. The notification was signed by Judge McIntire, Frederick M. Esty, register, and William C. Dillingham, clerk.

CITY COUNCIL HELD BRIEF MEETING

A five-minute special meeting was held by the municipal council this morning with all members present but Commissioner Duncan. The mayor called to order at 11 o'clock and little business was transacted.

Mayor O'Donnell read a communication from the secretary of state in regards to the formation of the Lowell Suburban Dairy association, and the communication was referred to the mayor's department for investigation. The organizers of the association are as follows:

Walter S. Holden, Chelmsford; Chas. Inglis Wetmore, Chelmsford; Arthur Warren Fletcher, West Westford; Bertie A. Cluff, Dracut; Joseph P. Varnum, Collinsville; George F. Garland, Tewksbury; John R. Martin and son, Tewksbury; Robert C. Mills, Collinsville; Harry M. Fox, Dracut; French Eliot, Lowell, Martin Lane Kennelly, North Billerica; Melvin G. Rogers, Tewksbury; Frank E. Miller, Westford; Geo. J. Carlton, Pelham, N. H.; Samuel L. Taylor, Westford; William P. Poleck, Westford; Arthur H. Jones, Pelham, N. H.; Arthur N. Hall, Dunstable; Fred P. Nickles, Carlisle; Edward A. Spaulding, Hudson, N. H.; Arthur H. Burnham, Westford; Alexis F. Fecteau, Lowell; Adie H. Fecteau, Chelmsford Centre; William C. Tucker, Chelmsford; Albert N. Fox, Lowell; Emile E. Paignon, So. Chelmsford, Murray H. Pratt, South Chelmsford; Arthur W. Crosby, Lowell; William Z. Dupee, South Chelmsford; Edgar E. Lapham, South Chelmsford; Harry M. Parker, Lowell.

Commissioner Donnelly was granted permission to spend the sum of $161.49 for gaslight fixtures at the Varnum school.

Commissioner Morse asked the council to purchase a new steam roller for the street department. He said the two rollers owned by the city have seen better days and if an order for a new one is sent in before the first of January the city can save at least $500.

"What will the roller cost?" asked the mayor.

"Four thousand dollars," was the reply.

"Will your appropriation allow it?" asked the mayor.

"No, sir," replied Mr. Morse.

Mayor: "Well, then, there is no use of us cussing this question, let the matter go over until next year."

Mr. Morse: "I can get the money by making some transfers."

Mayor: "When you are ready, come forward with your proposition."

At this point the meeting adjourned until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

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Vocational School

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FRENCH CAPTURE 11,387 GERMANS

Taken on Verdun Front Since Dec. 15—German Counter Attack

German Headquarters Reports No Change in Rumanian Front

On the Franco-Belgian front, Paris announces a strong counter attack by the Germans on the position won by the French in their recent sweeping advance north and northeast of Verdun. The only success of the attacking forces, however, according to Paris, was at one point on the Chambrettes farm about a mile and a quar-

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ENGLAND GETS PEACE NOTE

Proposals of Central Allies Handed to British Government

Document Presented to Lord Robert Cecil by Ambassador Page

LONDON, Dec. 18, 12.20 p. m.—The peace note of the central powers was handed to the British government today by Walter H. Page, the American ambassador.

Mr. Page called at the foreign office early in the day and in the absence of

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HER MEDICINE DIDN'T CURE

And Anyway Mrs. Aggott Practiced Without Authority

Interesting Case Heard in Judge Enright's Court Today

Mrs. Annie Aggott of Gould st., West Roxbury, manufacturer of a liquid advertised to cure tuberculosis, skin and scalp diseases, pains, burns and all external troubles, was found guilty by Judge Enright in the local police court today of practising medicine without authority and was ordered to pay a fine of $100. Through her counsel,

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LLOYD GEORGE TO MAKE SPEECH TOMORROW

LONDON, Dec. 18, 3.43 p. m.—Chancellor of the Exchequer A. Bonar Law definitely announced in the house of commons this afternoon that Premier Lloyd George would be present in the house on Tuesday to make his statement regarding the British government's policy.

PARCEL POST FROM U.S TO RUSSIA FAVORED

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Inauguration of a movement to have a parcel post system established between the United States and Russia was announced today by the Merchants' association here. At the request of business interests with houses in Russia, it was stated, such a postal convention was urged in a letter sent to William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce.

MAN, WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN PERISHED

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 18.—Roy A. White of Bayles, Cal., his wife and four children lost their lives today in a fire that destroyed the Interocean hotel here. The bodies of Mrs. White and two sons were found in the ruins. A nine-months'-old baby, rescued by firemen, died from burns. Firemen searched the smouldering ruins for the body of the fourth child. White was electrocuted when he fell among electric wires after leaping from the third floor.

CREW OF NETHTIS REPORTED LOST RESCUED

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The 12 men thought to have been lost on the bark Nethtis, separated from the tug Garibaldi during a storm off the New Jersey coast on a voyage north from Brazil, were rescued yesterday by the Italian ship Sardegna which brought them to this port today.

Distress signals were observed by the Sardegna's lookout at 10 a. m. yesterday, when the Italian vessel, from Mediterranean ports, was some miles off Barnegat. A lifeboat was lowered and the 12 men on the vessel in trouble which proved to be the missing Nethtis, were taken off.

The Garibaldi, towing the Nethtis, left Maranham, Brazil, on Oct. 31. Several times the line parted, but the tug succeeded in picking up the bark again until, with less than 60 miles of their 5000 mile voyage still to be completed the Nethtis was again lost on Friday. This time the heavy weather made it impossible for the tug to recover her tow and the bark's crew was given up as lost. The Nethtis was being brought north to be converted into a steam vessel.

The Sardegna abandoned her after removing her crew.

FORTY LOST OFF CANARIES

Spanish Steamer Pio IX. Wrecked in a Storm—22 of the Crew Are Rescued

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Eleven survivors of the ill-fated Spanish steamship Pio IX., wrecked in a storm and sunk several hundred miles off the Canary Islands on Dec. 5, arrived here yesterday on the steamship Buenos Aires. Eleven others were reported to have been saved by a French transport, while 40 of the crew, including the captain, were drowned. Nine of the men on the Buenos Aires were picked up from an improvised raft and two of them from a ladder.

But for two small electric flashlights, it was said, the men brought here also probably would have been drowned. The Buenos Aires, which had responded to an S.O.S. call from the Pio IX., failed in an effort to attach a line to the sinking ship owing to the heavy sea.

She was compelled to draw away for her own safety. All the lifeboats on the Pio IX., it was said, had been smashed in attempts to launch them. Night overtook them, the survivors said, as they were battling hopelessly in the raging sea.

A light flashing from the surface of the sea attracted attention on board the Buenos Aires. A boat was lowered and two of the survivors, a boy of 18 and the quartermaster of the Pio IX.—were picked up from a ship's ladder, with which they had leaped into the water. Soon afterward a similar light was observed and nine others were picked up from an improvised life raft.

A wireless message—the last from the Pio IX.—received by the operator on board the Buenos Aires later in the night, announced that the Pio IX. was sinking rapidly. The message closed with a "goodby." The Buenos Aires remained in the vicinity until daylight, but no trace was seen of the vessel.

ONLY THREE OF CREW LEFT

Five-Masted Schooner Marcus L. Urann Abandoned Waterlogged at Sea Near the Azores

LONDON, Dec. 18. The American schooner Marcus L. Urann has been abandoned in a waterlogged condition, according to a despatch from St. Michael's, Azores, to Lloyd's. The despatch adds that three of the crew were landed at St. Michael's; the remainder were drowned.

SUIT AGAINST B. & M. R. R. FOR SUM OF $15,000 ON TRIAL TODAY

At the civil session of the superior court in the court house, Gorham street, this morning, the case of "Moynihan vs. Boston & Maine railroad" was being tried before Judge Patrick Keating. It is a suit to recover damages for the death of Jeremiah Moynihan, a section foreman of the railroad who was killed in the Western avenue freight yard, June 2, 1916, and has been brought by Catherine Moynihan, widow of the deceased. The ad damnum is $15,000 and the case is being tried under the Interstate Commerce act. Trull and Weir and John M. O'Donoghue appeared for the railroad and James J. Kerwin and James C. Reilly appeared for Mrs. Moynihan. Among the witnesses called by the plaintiff this morning were Peter Bagley, brakeman; Patrick Burke, yardmaster, and Albert A. Decker, yard brakeman.

CANDIDATES FOR CITY HALL JOBS NUMEROUS

There is great speculation at city hall as to what the new council will do in the line of "city hall jobs" after the first of the year. It was stated this morning that there are candidates for about every job in the building and that important shifts are likely to be made. The belief still exists that the combination for 1917 will be Brown, Morse and Warnock.

It was stated this morning that William D. Regan, Esq. has three votes for city solicitor to replace Solicitor Varnum, while for the postion of inspector of buildings, now held by Francis A. O'Conner, there are three candidates, namely, Michael A. Lee, business agent for the Carpenters' union; Joseph Harvey, a local plumber and William J. Gargan, an inspector of concrete on the Pawtucket bridge. Joseph Whitely, it is said, is a candidate for the board of health, while Clinton P. Tuttle is out for the position of assessor.

One of the officials at city hall stated this morning that there is no tenure of office for all of the above mentioned postions, and the holders of the positions can be removed at the will of the council.

School Vacation

The public schools of Lowell will close Friday of this week for the annual Christmas vacation and will reopen on the Tuesday following New Year's day.

Supt. Molloy of the school department stated this morning he has not heard a thing about a demand for an increase in salary for the teachers of the primary grades. He said the minimum pay for the primary grade teachers is $500, although there is not one teacher getting less than $650, while the maximum is $800 per annum. The inauguration exercises for the school board will be held on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 2, the hour to be set later.

MAN ARRESTED WHILE HAVING SNOW FEED

Standing on the sidewalk eating snow during the snowstorm at one o'clock Saturday morning, Napoleon Charest was detected by Patrolmen Michael Connolly and Goggin and taken to the police station for drunkenness. In police court today he pleaded not guilty in spite of the testimony of the officers that they were asked to take care of him for fear that he would suffer from the severe storm. Charest, who is a tailor, said that he worked until 11.30 o'clock and was enjoying a little exercise in the storm when arrested. It was his sixth offense and a three months' jail sentence was imposed.

John Milot, alias Blood, a young man hardly out of his teens, was arrested Saturday night for drunkenness after he had been engaged in a street fight. Milot had two suspended sentences facing him when his case was called. He said that he had been in New York for some time and came home to spend the Christmas holidays with the result that he ended up in the police station. After two men had spoken quite favorably of his character, the two old cases were placed on file and he was given another suspended sentence to the Massachusetts reformatory on condition that he leave Lowell at once and return to New York for a year.

Threatened to Kill

George Znyniski got drunk Saturday night and threatened to kill his brother-in-law with a knife. His brother-in-law got the best of him, however, and held him until the arrival of policemen. This forenoon the man who was attacked said that he was willing to forgive George of everything and did not care to make any complaint. A $10 fine was imposed as a warning against using knives.

Boy Was Discharged

Because his mother refused to allow him to go home, Joseph A. Silvest was found not guilty of being a stubborn child. The boy works and lives with an uncle at the present time. Mrs. Silvest complained that he would not obey her. Joseph agreed to go home and turn his weekly pay envelope over to his mother and when she refused to agree to this the court ordered the boy discharged.

An Appeal Taken

Rose Tully, the 18-year-old girl who was before the court Saturday for drunkenness, was today given an opportunity to choose between the House of the Good Shepherd in Boston and the reformatory for women at Sherborn. She refused to go to the home in Boston and when the reformatory sentence was imposed she entered an appeal. The girl was represented by George F. Toye, who said that the appeal was taken on the advice of a relative.

Took Jail Sentence

John Braddy, who Saturday appealed from a sentence to the state farm, withdrew the appeal today and was committed to the Lowell jail for four months. Other drunkenness sentences was imposed as follows: Michael Bruke, four months in jail; Sarah Cryan and Mary Simonean, three months in jail, and John St. John, five months in the house of correction.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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LOWELL PASTOR TALKS ON SUNDAY'S HELL

At the First Baptist church Sunday evening, the pastor, Rev. A. C. Archibald, preached the third of a series of "Billy" Sunday sermons. "The Billy Sunday's Hell I Found in the Bible," was his topic.

"Sunday has been ridiculed because of his idea of hell," said Mr. Archibald, "but we must remember that he sticks to the Scriptures in all of his preaching. As you know, there is a great desire in today's churches to get rid of the hell idea, and in most churches the word is not even mentioned. Sunday dares to preach hell, but he does not accept literal hell fire. Modern exegetes believe that hell is the burning of the conscience, and is even worse than any literal physical burning ever possible. The suffering of conscience is the worst possible suffering. The conscience may slumber but it never dies, and spells hell in this world and in the next."

Held Union Service

At the union service of the Eliot and High Street Congregational, First Universalist and First Unitarian churches, held last evening at the Eliot church, Rev. A. C. Ferrin was the preacher, having for his topic, "The Worth-While of Christian Discipleship."

Fraternity Service

An anniversary service in honor of the Men's Fraternity was held yesterday morning at the First Congregational church, and was attended by the members of the fraternity in a body. The pastor, Rev. E. H. Newcomb, took for his sermon topic, "Strong Men," and outlined the history and careers of certain men of this type.

Probably 50 members of the fraternity were present and these gathered, previous to the service, in the vestry of the church and marched into the auditorium. Mr. Newcomb, in his introductory remarks, complimented the members for the success which has attended their organization and stated that he believed it to be unique in having met regularly for a period of 10 years. In speaking of strong men, the pastor called to mind numerous biblical and historical characters who, by their strength of character and determination of purpose, had been prominently identified with the affairs of their day.

TO FIND RELIEF FOR PRINT PAPER SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Efforts to find relief for the news print paper shortage and prevailing high prices were continued here today by the federal trade commission in conference with committees of newspaper publishers, news print manufacturers and paper jobbers. A plan that was discussed proposes that publishers of the larger newspapers reduce their purchases next year by a per cent so the smaller papers may receive more of the supply.

Questionnaires were sent today to large publishers to ascertain if they would subscribe to this plan, relinquishing 5 per cent of their 1917 contracted supply and to small publishers to learn their 1917 needs. At the same time the manufacturers' committee was trying to learn the exact amount of paper stock on hand in the United States and the amount that will be manufactured for next year's needs.

The larger publishers are not well satisfied with the plan proposed, contending it forces them to make sacrifices to supply the small publishers when the manufacturers could solve the whole problem readily by diverting to news print manufacture paper making machines now working on wrapping paper.

SUCCESSFUL AUTO SHOW

The automobiles exhibited in the four days' automobile show at the Lowell armory last week were all returned to [illegible] yesterday. The managers reported that in spite of the weather Friday, which was Society day, the show was a decisive success. In fact, some of the dealers secured so many prospects in Lowell that they favored continuing the show three days, but it was found that it would take some time to secure permission from the adjutant general's office.

ARMY OF 3,000,000

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Europe and other nations require, he declared, that American troops, ever were to compete with fully trained and splendidly disciplined forces they would require training and discipline at least equal to that of their opponents.

The lessons of the European war, the general said, had demonstrated that a higher standard of training and discipline were required than was popular. It considered necessary before and that most of the European nations for that reason found they could not develop them in less than two years with the colors.

"It should be obvious," said he, "that the hours' training provided for the National Guard is utterly inadequate to prepare this force for war service."

For Army of 3,000,000

For war with a first class power the general staff had previously estimated that 500,000 fully equipped troops should be ready at the outbreak and that 500,000 more should be available in 90 days. In view of the lessons of the war the general was now of the opinion that these numbers should be tripled and that 1,500,000 fully equipped and ready troops should be available with another 1,500,000 to follow in 90 days.

"This is due," said he, "to the fact that one of the powers involved in the war and whose territory extends the whole length of our northern frontier has increased its army from a relatively small force to a strength approximating that of the other great European powers. Due to the fact that our northern neighbor is largely an island empire a great portion of any trained force it may possess can be spared for use in a distant theatre of operations because the control of the sea gives it practical immunity from invasion where troops would have to be transported across the sea.

"It should be pointed out also that our northern neighbor is in alliance with a powerful Oriental nation, another island empire—and for the same reason which acting in alliance with a power which has control of the sea, has ability to send its army of 2,225,000 men to any part of the world without danger of invasion.

Are Practically Defenceless

"I think a mere statement of these facts makes it clear that at present we are practically defenceless before the veteran forces of our northern neighbors and could easily be crushed by the existing coalition of the island empires.

"I have said enough by way of illustration only, to make it clear that if we are menaced by one of these powers alone, having lost control of the sea, we should need more troops for defensive purposes than have entered into the popular conception of our military problems heretofore.

"A factor which has in the past played a part in preventing an [illegible] recent aggression by any of the great nations of Europe in spite of our comparatively defenseless condition, was the so-called balance of power. When the European war is over there will still be two groups of powers who will permit the superior group to [illegible] the [illegible] in the [illegible] with [illegible] and will enable it to hold the [illegible] for action [illegible] manifest [illegible] great powers [illegible] April 1, 1914, [illegible] take war on [illegible] forces within about one month from the declaration of war.

"Were a war waged against us [illegible] [illegible] it is not a probability [illegible] that if we [illegible] [illegible] United States [illegible] [illegible]."

Universal Training

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mended that no further reliance be placed on the volunteer system and urged universal liability to military training and service. Of all the nations of the world, he said, the United States and China alone relied on volunteers to defend their national existence. He recounted the failures of the volunteer system in the revolutionary war, the war of 1812 and how it failed both the confederacy and the Union in the civil war.

"The system is inefficient," he said, "because under it we must wait for war to come before preparing our defense. We must wait for an emergency before beginning to raise, train and equip the vast armies which war with any first class power or coalition would render necessary.

"A nation that is so short-sighted with respect to its man-power cannot be expected to look far into the future with respect to munitions and supplies.

"If universal liability to military training and service were ordained it will mean only that the people as a whole through their representatives recognized the duty of the individual to prepare him to defend his country and to defend it in case of need."

Opposed to Bill

Representatives of organizations opposed to the bill were headed by Walter L. Fisher, former secretary of the interior who declared himself in favor of adequate preparedness.

"I believe," he said, "there is no higher duty than to provide for adequate military preparedness. But there is a radical difference between a military policy for defence and aggressive policy. If we are going to defend the Monroe doctrine in its broadest sense we are embarking on a military impossibility."

To provide a first line of defense, Mr. Fisher suggested that the pay of the army be doubled, that civil training which would fit the men for civil life be made compulsory and that as rapidly as they could be trained men be discharged into a citizen reserve, liable for duty in war.

"The plan proposed here is to adopt universal training for the sake of its civic by-product, for it is argued that universal training will give greater civic efficiency. Why not turn this right around? If you'll adopt the civil discipline for the sake of its military by-product, you'll carry the country and you can't carry it otherwise."

DEATHS

BICKFORD—Mrs. Fannie H. Bickford died Saturday in Bridgeford, Conn., aged 62 years. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the rooms of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck, this city, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. A. C. Ferrin, pastor of the High Street Congregational church conducted the services. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. Charles S. Hebert E., Charles A. and Arthur F. Badley.

FELDMAN—Mrs. Morris Feldman, aged 37 years, died Saturday evening at the Lowell hospital. She leaves her husband and two daughters. The body was removed to her home, 127 Chelmsford street.

MANSELL—Leo Arthur Mansell died yesterday at 66 A street, aged 47 years. He leaves his wife, Elizabeth H., and two sons Leo A. and Raymond H. Mansell.

BLOCK—Beryl E. Block died Saturday [illegible] aged 12 years. [illegible] Holden [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] a brother Herbert W. [illegible] Mr. Nathan Bellbacker. Yesterday the body was taken to Buffalo, N. Y., where funeral services and burial were held at the Forest Lawn cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. Wm. Jones, W. E. Lane, H. E. Pryor and F. L. Kirkelly. The arrangements were in charge of Albert H. [illegible] under the direction of Undertaker George W. Healey.

FUNERALS

FELDMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Morris Feldman [illegible] Undertaker [illegible] Arthur [illegible].

HARDING—The funeral of [illegible] [illegible] W. Healey.

DALY—The funeral of [illegible]

THORNTON—The funeral of [illegible]

FUNERAL NOTICE

BOWERS—[illegible]

ENGLAND GETS NOTE

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COMMENT ON NOTE

[illegible] of any immediate result is very doubtful."

LADY LOOKABOUT

It is a pretty act of thoughtfulness on the part of the Boston society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, to have a Christmas tree for the horses of the city. It is to stand in Postoffice square, and is to be laden with carrots, lumps of sugar, apples and other delicacies sweet to the equine palate. For some years it has been the custom at many homes and several schools to have a Christmas tree for the birds. Children delight in feeding the birds which are sure to come in flocks just as soon as the news of the tree spreads among them. I have yet to hear of a Christmas tree for the horses. Why not think it over, Mr. Kerran? Are not you the deus ex machina of Christmas tree?

Christmas Gifts

Christmas will so again and never were more alluring gifts shown. Also the same old trashy stock of celluloid, tinsel and cheap ribbons or lace. It is time for the public benefactors who instituted the sane Fourth of July, to turn their energies toward a sane Christmas. Who among us has not in his or her possession, stored away awaiting goodness knows what, some of the most incredible merchandise, knick-knacks, for the most part? Now it is all very lovely to consider the thought rather than the gift, but when the gift takes the form of—I hardly dare to name it—a wobbly box of painted celluloid tied at the corners with wobbly ribbon, let us say, can you grow poetical over the thought that prompted it? Positively there is no excuse for such an atrocity, yet it always has existed, and always shall, I guess.

Turned Down a Gift

I have just been transported back to the gruesome old days of New England Hawthorne tells us about in his "Mosses From An Old Manse," by reading a bit of news from Newburyport.

The trustees of the library of that city have just refused a bequest of $? for a new library, because the donor stipulated that the library be kept open Sundays.

Can you not see them—these patriarchs of a decadent port—gathering in solemn conclave and refusing a gift to the city, to the present generation, to the future generations, to the boys and girls of today and tomorrow—patriarchs trying for a while longer to keep alive the traditions of their forbears. The pity of it is that there was no one to interfere with the old fogies.

First Coasting Accident

Already, with the first snow of the season still fresh on the ground, a coasting fatality is reported from this state. A tiny girl coasted headlong into an auto truck. Lowell offers many enticing hills for juvenile coasters, but unfortunately all or nearly all of them slope to a highway and every time a youngster coasts down the hill he literally takes his life in his hands. The miracle is that there are not more fatalities. Another miracle is that teamsters, auto-drivers, motormen and cyclists do not all have nervous prostration from the narrow escapes they witness. Truly there is a providence which watches over these children, for the rapidity with which they approach a vehicle does not give time even to the most capable driver to do a thing to avert disaster, and it is unfair to judge them other than blameless when an accident occurs.

Disturbing Her Dreams

It was high time all good little girls were in bed when little three Gretchel got on the car with her mother. I am not sure her name was Gretchel. Had she worn wooden sabots, I should have been sure, for she wore all the Goose-Girl's things, except the boots. The mother carried a large loaf of bread in a paper bag. Soon Gretchel's head began to nod. Her eyes closed. Gretchel slept. Whack! The loaf of bread was swung against Gretchel's stomach. Gretchel started. Her eyes opened wide. She was awake and looking inquiringly at her mother. The mother offered no explanation. Gretchel decided that she had been dreaming. The little head began to nod again. Again the sleepy little eyes closed. Again Gretchel slept. Whack! Again the loaf of bread swung against her stomach. Again she awoke and looked about. Mother was near, so she knew she was safe. Again she dozed, and so on, for the performance was being repeated with the deadly monotony of an automaton when I finally left the car.

Revolving Door Incidents

She was a tiny miss and she demurred when her mother asked her to go into the postoffice with her, so the mother entered alone. When the revolving door closed on the mother the little girl began to scream. The mother, in one section of the door, stood still and beckoned, motioned, exhorted and implored her daughter to enter the next section, but daughter preferred not to. Suddenly, the mother felt a violent shove from the door and, looking up, she saw a young man in the opposite section whom she had locked in when she stopped to remonstrate with the little girl. He had been there fully three minutes when she discovered him and, judging from his expression, his confinement was not pleasing.

I recall late one evening shortly after those revolving doors were installed, I started to enter, when the door suddenly stopped. In the section opposite mine, two men who found the close quarters unpleasant, even for the space of 30 seconds, had begun to pommel each other. I could not move the door. I was locked in, and I was terrified at the proximity of the affray. A crowd gathered, but no one seemed able to move the door. Had they not been drunken brawlers, the situation would have been most romantic for me. As it was, it was dreadful. They did not care where they hit each other. Finally, one of Lowell's "handsomest" appeared on the scene. He shoved his shoulder against the door. It refused to move. Then he bellowed like a giant, "Get up out of there." They knew their master's voice. Instantly, all half-nelsons and toe-holds were let go, and like two guilty schoolboys, they scrambled to their feet, and the door began to revolve. The terrified heroine, who was not the cause of all the trouble, was set free and escaped by trolley.

Johnnie Sat on a Nail

Two teachers returning from school were "talking shop," when one produced from her handbag the following note and asked me to read it, remarking that such an epistle made a bright spot in an otherwise commonplace day:

"Dear teacher, please excuse Johnny for being absent because we had to send his shoes to the gobbler's, and please teacher, will you change his seat. He has been sitting on a sharp nail all the year and all his pants are ripped."

The teacher told me she had examined Johnny's chair and, true enough, a nail protruded through the seat and for weeks had been doing damage to Johnny's person. Patience and long-suffering are Johnny's strong points, all right.

LADY LOOKABOUT.

SUN BREVITIES

Best printing: Tobin's, Asso. Bldg.

Auto supplies, Beharell, 23 Middle st.

Snow shovels and pushers at the Thompson Hardware Co.

Popcorn, all shelled. The Thompson Hardware Co. has it—5c pound.

Brass andirons and fireplace goods at the Thompson Hardware Co.

Christmas, Easter, wedding and birthday gifts. Etta M. Gilmore, 49 G st.

A pocket knife always makes a good present. The Thompson Hardware Co. has a fine assortment.

Carving sets. Nothing better for a fine present. The Thompson Hardware Co. can supply you.

Brass candlesticks are the thing this year. The Thompson Hardware Co. has a splendid assortment.

The salary of James P. Ramsay of this city, probation officer of the superior court of Middlesex county, was increased from $2200 to $2500 a year on Saturday last.

The name of Henry H. Wilder of this city will be presented for president of the Massachusetts Golf association by the nominating committee at a meeting to be held in Boston on Jan. 26.

James Martin, of Thorndike street, fell in Middlesex street about 10.45 o'clock Saturday evening and sustained an injury to his right knee. He was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hospital.

The British Social club conducted an excursion from this city to the Allied Bazaar in Boston Saturday. A special train left this city at 1 o'clock and arrived in the Hub in time to allow the Lowellites to attend the bazaar in the afternoon. They also spent the evening at the benefit show and returned at 10.15.

In the students products class at the dressed poultry show at the Massachusetts Agricultural college, held Saturday afternoon, O. S. Flint, '17, of Lowell, and J. J. Warren, '17, of North Brookfield tied for first place. E. C. Damon of North Andover was awarded the honor of having his name cut on the Bachelder & Snyder cup, which will be held by the department for 10 years. On the opposite side of the cup, the names of J. J. Warren and O. S. Flint were inscribed.

SANG CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The choir of the Swedish Lutheran church rendered last night Fred Holton's Christmas cantata, "Lord of All." The choir was led by Mr. F. E. Lindquist, and he deserves great credit for good leadership. Miss Florence Gillason served as pianist. Miss Gerda Nelson played the violin and Mr. Robert Bernts played the cornet. The church was well filled and the collection assigned to the choir was liberally and cheerfully given.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

President and Mrs. Wilson Celebrated First Anniversary of Their Marriage at White House Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President and Mrs. Wilson today celebrated the first anniversary of their marriage. A family party will be entertained at dinner at the White House tonight.

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1916 Citron	19c lb.
1916 Orange Peel	19c lb.
1916 Lemon Peel	19c lb.
New Mixed Nuts	15c lb.
Salted Mixed Nuts	71c lb.
None Such Mince Meat	9c
Aunt Jane's Mince Meat	25c qt.
Large Cape Cranberries	[illegible]
Maraschino Cherries	[illegible]
Candied Cherries	[illegible] lb.
Lean Beef, for Mince Meat	15c lb.

No Bones, No Waste

Choice Veal Steak	25c lb.
Choice Pork Chops	21c lb.
Squire's Pork Sausage	19c lb.
Small Smoked Shoulders	19c lb.

Finest Elgin Butter	[illegible] lb.
Choice Western Eggs	[illegible] doz.
Endives [illegible]	[illegible] each
Caviar [illegible]	[illegible]
Pineapple Cheese	[illegible]

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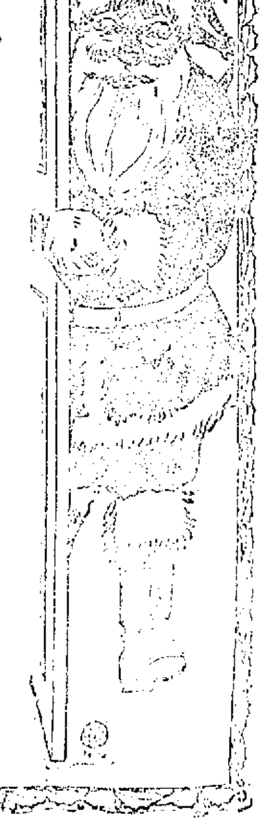

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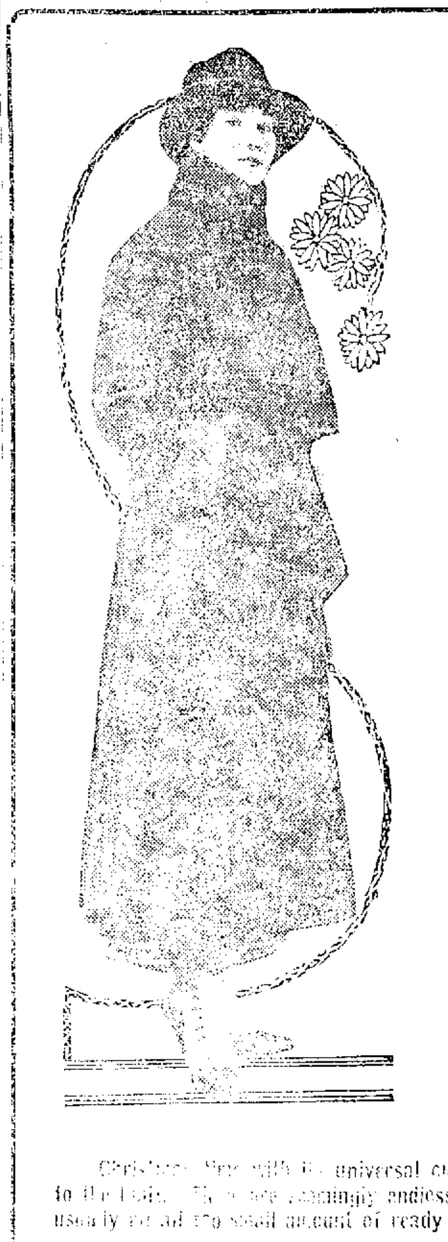

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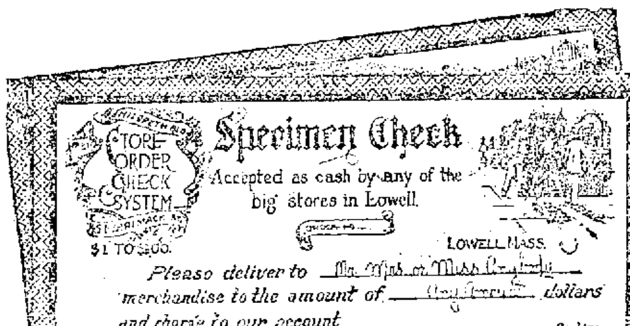

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If this is your condition this year, why not do as thousands of other intelligent New England people are doing—buy what you want at the big stores with our famous Order Checks and pay for your purchases in small weekly amounts.

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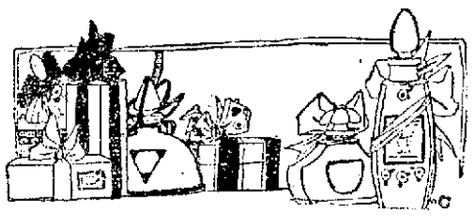

Toilet Articles for Gifts

The gift of Perfumes is as old as civilization. It was acceptable then and it will be acceptable now—Many choice gifts to be found in this selection NOW.

TOILET GOODS

Ivory Pyralin Mirrors .....$2.00 to $2.50
Ivory Pyralin Hair Brushes .....$1.00 to $4.50
Ivory Pyralin Combs .....50c and 75c
Ivory Pyralin Trays .....$1.25 to $2.00
Ivory Pyralin Puff Box .....75c to $1.50
Ivory Pyralin Hair Receivers .....75c to $1.50
Ivory Pyralin Cloth Brush $2.00
Ivory Pyralin Hat Brush $1.50
Ivory Pyralin Nail Polishers with Tray.....95c
Ivory Powder Boxes 50c
Ivory Pyralin Clocks .....$2.25 to $4.50
Ivory Pyralin Vases .....50c and 75c
Ivory Pyralin Jewel Boxes .....$1.25 to $2.50
Ivory Pyralin Hooks and Files .....35c and 50c
Hand Painted Brush, Curl and Mirror Sets to match your room, set $5.00
Wood Back Hair Brushes .....50c to $2.50

PERFUMES, TOILET WATERS, TALCUM POWDER AND SOAP

Williams' Holiday Package for Men and Women 50c and 75c
Colgate's Holiday Boxes .....25c to $3.00
Hudnut's Holiday Combinations $2.25
Mavis' Holiday Combinations $2.50
Colgate's Toilet Waters, in Christmas Boxes 25c to 75c
Hudnut's Toilet Waters in Christmas Boxes 75c to $1.50
Roger & Gallet Toilet Waters in Christmas Boxes. 90c to $1.50
Williams' Toilet Waters .....25c and 50c
Colgate's Perfumes in Christmas Boxes....25c to $2.00
Hudnut's Perfumes in Christmas Boxes..50c to $1.00
Imported Perfumes, box .....$1.25 to $6.15
Talcum Powders, bottle .....15c to $1.00
Fancy Soaps, cake .....10c to 50c
Sachets, in sealed bottles, bottle .....25c to 98c
Sachets, in bulk, oz. .....50c to $1.50
Roger & Gallet's Perfumes, in Christmas Boxes..$1.25

West Section — Right Aisle

Gloves as Gifts

Washable Strap Gloves, tan, ivory and white....$1.75
Women's Fancy Embroidered Kid Gloves, 1 clasp, white, white sewed black and black sewed white...$2.00
Women's Kid Gloves, 2 clasps, overseam, white, sewed black, black sewed white $1.75
Women's Clasp Mocha Gloves, gray and tan....$2.00
Women's Washable Cape Gloves, white, ivory, gray, champagne and mustard $1.65
Women's 2-clasp Kid Gloves, white, black or tan $1.25
Women's Washable Kid Gloves, white, champagne, tan and black sewed white $1.50
Women's 2-Clasp Kid Gloves, white, champagne, tan and ivory $1.25
Children's White Doeskin and Gray Mocha.....$1.25
Children's Lined Gloves, gray and tan $1.00
Children's Chamoisette Gloves, tan, navy, gray and white 59c
Children's Gauntlet Skating Gloves, all colors.....59c
Children's Woolen Gloves and Mittens 29c

If you prefer to have your friends select the color and size of their gloves you may give them glove certificates.

West Section — North Aisle

Winter Coatings

Just the gift for Mother or Sister to have a nice big heavy coat made for the cold days that are coming. Our selection is large and prices vary from, yard .....$1.50 to $5.00

Heavy Wool Plush in the new, rich, solid colors, 54 inches wide, yard $3.25

5 different patterns in Velour and Plush weaves, 54 inches wide, yard $3.00

15 pieces in plain and mixed weaves for Children's Coats, at, yard .....$1.50 and $2.00

Black Broadtail for trimming Muffs, Scarfs and Children's Coats, yard $3.50

Special Salt's Plush for your new Coat, a very high lustre and good rich black, 50 inches wide, yard, $5.00

Palmer Street — Right Aisle

Store Open Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday Evenings This Week.

Open Mornings at 9 O'Clock.

Something in This Gift Store for Everyone and not just anything. This Gift Store is one of discretion and in making selections from the markets of the country has taken great pains to provide only gifts that have the merit of real value, both artistically and practically.

LADIES' UMBRELLAS

The New Club Umbrella with the ivory tips and ring, the Fifth Avenue favorite, navy blue, green and plum. Priced $7.50 Each

Black Silk with solid gold tip on handle, fancy rosette to match cover. Priced at .....$9.50 Each

Sterling Silver Handles, with chain attached, black silk covering. Priced .....$10.50 Each

Sterling tipped and inlaid handles; these are all imported, the very finest black silk coverings. Priced $6.00 and $7.75 Each

Brown Silk Umbrellas, mounted with amber and brown handles, straight and crook, with fancy rosette to match covering. Priced $6, $7 and $7.50

Plaid Silk Umbrellas, with ivory tips. Priced.....$7.50
Black Silk Umbrellas, with ivory and amber handles. Priced .....$6.00, $7.00 and $7.50
Rain or Shine Umbrellas, with steel rods, in two shades of blue, green and black, curved handles. Priced at $5.50
Blue, Green, Red and Plum Silk Umbrellas with all the new effects in handles.....$4.50 to $6.50

HAIR ORNAMENTS

Ask to see the new Comb, "The Barrettos," a Spanish Comb of distinction. The new style hairdressing demands the hair high upon the head; this means Fancy Combs, Fancy Pins, Hair Barrettes. We are showing a complete line of these goods which are on display in our front showcase, right aisle.

Combs, from.....50c to $10.00
Fancy Hair Pins.....50c to $4.00
Fancy Hair Barrettes..50c to $3.50
Aluminum Hair Barrettes, set with stones .....50c to $3.00
Aluminum Hair Pins, set with stones .....50c to $3.50
Aluminum Combs.....50c to $9.00

CANDLESTICKS AND ELECTRIC CANDLES

Candlesticks, white and brass finish .....50c to $1.00
Electric Candlesticks .....$1.00 to $2.00
Oil Lamps, brass finish, complete with shade.....$1.00
Fancy Candle Shades ..... 25c and 50c
Trump Stands 50c

West Section — Right Aisle

SILVERWARE

Silver Bud Vases .....50c and 75c Each
Silver Candlesticks .....50c, 75c and $1.50
Cheese Dishes $1.00
Relish Dishes $1.25
Horse Radish Jars 50c
Individual Salt Sets 50c
Mustard Pots .....25c and 50c
Cream Pitchers 50c
Marmalade or Jelly Jars..... 50c

Bottle Openers ..... 75c and $1.00
Babies' Sets .....75c to $1.00
Cheese Knives ..... 75c and $1.00
Cold Meat Forks, large and small.....75c to $1.25
Tatting Shuttles .....50c to 75c
Pocket Tooth Brush Holders ..... 75c and $1.00
Crochet Ball Holders $1.25
Picture Frames .....25c to $4.50

West Section — Right Aisle

CUT GLASS

16 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, $5.50 and $9.00
14 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, $5.00 and $10.00
12 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, $5.00, $5.50 and $12.75
10 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases..$3.00 and $3.75
8 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, six different styles $1.75
10 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Basket..... $9.00
Cut Glass Syrup Pitcher, with plated top, one that can be removed .....$1.75 Each
Cut Glass Water Jugs .....$3.75 to $11.25
Cut Glass Tumblers to match jug.....$3.50, Set of 6
Cut Glass Celery Trays .....$2.25 to $3.25
Cut Glass Olive Dishes .....$1.50 to $2.25
Cut Glass Loaf Sugar Trays..... $1.00

Cut Glass Creamers to match above trays.....$1.25
Cut Glass Sugar and Creamers.....$2.00 to $4.50 Set
Cut Glass Bon Bon Dishes .....$1.00 to $1.50
Cut Glass Nappies .....$2.25 to $4.50
Cut Glass Preserve Sets (7 pieces).....$11.75 Set
Cut Glass Spoon Trays .....$1.00 to $2.25
Cut Glass Covered Bon Bon Dish.....$3.50
Cut Glass Cologne Bottles .....$2.75 to $3.25
Cut Glass Puff Box $2.75
Cut Glass Hair Receiver $2.75
Mirrored Platteaus—
12 inch .....$1.25 and $1.75
14 inch .....$1.85 and $2.50

East Section — Right Aisle

STATIONERY

With the price of paper advancing rapidly we would suggest a gift of Stationery for the friend you are puzzled about.

One quire boxes, in pink, blue, buff, orchid and white, plain and fancy bordered, also plate marked, 50c, 75c, 85c and $1.00

Two quire boxes, white..... 50c

Colors .....85c to $2.50

Large fancy boxes, pink and white, $3.75 Box

Correspondence Cards, gilt edge and plain edge .....25c Box

Correspondence Cards, gilt edge and plain, white and colors....35c to 75c

Christmas Seals and Cards..10c Pkg.

Christmas Art Ribbon—holly, green and red .....10c Spool

East Section — North Aisle

LEATHER GOODS

Strap Books .....$1.00 to $8.50
Leather Bags.....$1.00 to $7.50
Week End Bags.....$6.00 to $10.00
Velvet Bags, plain and beaded, $3.00 to $11.00
Children's Bags 50c
Misses' Cases .....$1.50 to $3.00
Bill Folds .....$1.00 to $3.00

Men's Leather Belts with sterling silver buckles and sterling silver, gold plated .....$1.50 Each
Cigar Cases, holding 4 and 5 cigars, $1.00 and $2.00
Traveling Cases, men's and ladies', $5.50 to $14.00
Pint Cases for Thermos..$1.25 to $2.25

The Basement Bargain Department

Is a store in itself and it is offering as its share to the Christmas trade a large variety of useful articles that can be given as gifts. If you read over the following list you are sure to find something that you want to give to some one dear to you.

Bath Robes at.....$1.98 and $2.50
Silk Petticoats ..... $1.98 Each
Sateen Petticoats, black and colored....79c-98c
Flannelette Kimonas .....69c and 98c
Crepe Kimonos 98c
House Dresses .....98c and $1.25
White Aprons .....25c, 50c and 75c
Stitched Silk Vests..... 98c
Flannelette Night Gowns .....59c and 79c
Flannelette Petticoats.....39c and 50c
Allover Aprons 43c
Lady Dainty Aprons..... 54c
Ladies' Sweaters .....98c to $3.49
Corset Covers .....25c and 39c
Corset Covers in holly box 50c
Night Gowns .....49c, 59c and 79c
Night Gowns, in holly box $1.00
White Skirts .....49c, 59c and 79c
White Skirts, in holly box $1.00
White Skirts, in holly box $1.50
Envelope Chemise .....49c, 59c and 79c
Envelope Chemise, in holly box..... $1.00
Crepe de Chine Camisoles, in holly box...$1.00
Ladies' Shirt Waists, in holly box..... 95c
Ladies' Crepe de Chine Waists, in holly box, $1.98
Ladies' Tub Silk Waists, in holly box $1.98
Ladies' Jap Silk Waists, in holly box.....$1.98
Ladies' Silk Shirt Waists, in holly box....$1.50
Ladies' Underwear, from.....50c to $1.00 Set
Ladies' Hose .....12½c to 35c Pair
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box at ..25c Box
Ladies' Handkerchiefs.....5c Each, 6 for 25c
Ladies' Wool Gloves .....45c Pair
Men's Raincoats .....$3.00 to $10.00
Men's Umbrellas 98c
Men's Sweaters .....98c to $3.50
Men's Shirts 50c

Men's Cotton Hose.....12½c to 25c
Men's Wool Hose .....12½c to 50c
Men's Lisle Hose 25c
Men's Silk Hose .....19c and 25c
Men's Arm Bands .....19c and 25c
Men's Arm Bands and Garters, in holly box, at .....25c Set
Men's Handkerchiefs, at .....5c and 10c
Men's Suspenders .....19c to 39c
Men's Hats .....98c to $2.00
Men's Caps .....25c to 89c
Men's Coats, blanket lined.....$2.50 to $3.50
Men's Corduroy Coats, sheepskin lined. .....$5.00 to $12.50
Men's Underwear .....75c to $1.50 Set
Men's Union Suits.....79c and 89c
Men's Pants .....$1.50 to $3.00

FOR THE BOYS

Boys' Russian Coats ..... $1.98 to $6.98
Boys' Polo Coats .....$2.49 to $7.98
Boys' Mackinaw Coats.....$2.98 to $7.98
Boys' Norfolk Suits .....$1.98 to $7.98
Junior Norfolk Suits.....$1.98 to $4.98
Boys' Rubber Coats $2.50
Boys' Rubber Hats 50c
Boys' Wash Suits, from .....49c to $1.75
Boys' Blouses .....25c and 50c
Boys' Pants .....50c to $1.50
Boys' Caps .....25c to 45c
Boys' Hooker Caps .....25c and 43c
Boys' Underwear ..... 50c and $1.00 Set
Boys' Union Suits..... 50c a Suit
Boys' Hose, cotton.....12½c and 17c Pair
Boys' Hose, wooley .....25c Pair
Boys' Sweaters.....50c to $2.00
Boys' Shirts 45c

FOR THE GIRLS

Girls' Rain Capes, at $1.50
Girls' Sweaters .....59c to $1.50
Girls' Flannelette Night Gowns..... 50c
Girls' Flannelette Skirts 25c
Girls' Bath Robes 98c
Girls' Dresses .....49c to 98c
Girls' Skating Caps 48c
Girls' Sets, scarfs and caps....$1.00 to $1.50 Set
Girls' Wooley Gloves 25c
Girls' Hose, cotton 12½c
Girls' Hose, wooley 25c
Girls' Underwear at.....40c and 50c a Set
Girls' Union Suits at .....45c a Suit
Girls' Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box.....25c Box
Girls' Handkerchiefs, initial, 5c Each, 6 for 25c
Girls' Plain and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 5c Each
Girls' Handkerchiefs .....2c Each
Girls' Hose Supporters .....10c Pair

FOR THE HOUSE

Bed Spreads .....$1.00 to $6.00
Cotton Puffs .....$1.25 to $4.50
Wool Puffs .....$4.00 to $17.00
Down Puffs .....$8.00 to $17.00
Cotton Blankets .....$1.00 to $3.50
Wool Blankets .....$2.98 to $22.00 Pair
Comfort Blankets .....$2.00 Each
Bath Robe Blankets.....$1.79, $2.50 and $3.00
Sheets .....49c to $1.19
Pillow Cases .....10c to 17c Each
Huck Towels .....10c to 50c
Turkish Towels ..... 10c to 39c
Table Covers, colored .....89c to $2.00
Mercerized Table Covers .....89c to $1.59
Mercerized Table Sets $2.00
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East Section — Centre Aisle

OUT FOR TRAIL BUILDING IN NEW ENGLAND

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—As a result of all-day conferences yesterday of members of various New England clubs interested in mountain climbing, a special committee was appointed, consisting of H. A. Perkins of Wakefield of the Appalachian Mountain club, Allen Chamberlain of Boston of the same club, James P. Taylor of Burlington, Vt., of the Green Mountain club; Nathaniel L. Goodrich of the Dartmouth Outing club, Hanover, N. H.; and Philip W. Ayres of Waban of the Society for the Protection of New England Forests, to make arrangements for a permanent New England trail conference, with the aim of furthering co-ordinate enterprise in building and maintaining trails.

United States Senator Allen Hollis, president of the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, presided at the morning session, held at the rooms of the Appalachian Mountain club, Tremont building, and Allen Chamberlain showed by maps what has been accomplished in trail building and what might well be undertaken.

Sumner R. Hooper of Kineo, Me., delivered an address in regard to work in his state; C. W. Blood, Harland A. Perkins, Paul R. Jenks and N. L. Goodrich spoke for New Hampshire, C. P. Cooper and James P. Taylor for Vermont; representatives from Amherst and Williams colleges; and Prof. John Ritchie, Jr., for Massachusetts; Metropolitan Park Commissioner Barker for Rhode Island, and State Park Commissioner F. W. Kilbourne for Connecticut.

After luncheon at the City club, addresses were made by William L. Hall of the United States forest service; J. St. J. Benedict, forest supervisor, Gorham, N. H.; Harvey N. Shepard of the Appalachian Mountain club, and Edward Y. Hincks of the Randolph (N. H.) club. F. H. Tucker, president of the Appalachian, presided.

Practically all the speakers agreed that the prime necessity is for co-operative endeavor in trail building and maintenance, so that no energy may be lost or duplicated.

Mr. Hall of the United States forestry service spoke of the desirability of completing a system of trails to traverse all the New England mountain ranges, and be linked ultimately with the southern Appalachians. He advocated development work outside of parks and reservations, as well as inside, and emphasized the need of educating the people to the joys of the great outdoors. Since 1912, about 670 miles of trails have been built in New Hampshire. He urged the need for correcting the impression that the government work is intended solely to protect from fire and conserve forestry; the still larger good of unfolding the beauties of nature to the common view should be emphasized.

From Connecticut to Maine

Mr. Benedict pointed out the feasibility of blazing a trail from Connecticut to Maine through the White mountains.

Harvey N. Shepard said the time will come when the railroads will land large parties south of the Crawford house for a climb via Mts. Clinton or Jackson, and the Presidential range will be ascended by 100,000, where now only one goes up. The speaker indicated that the Appalachian club will establish a new hut, in its chain of huts, as soon as the remainder of the Presidential range is taken by the government, and it will be easy to traverse the whole range afoot, without being burdened by provisions, or other camp necessities. He spoke of the thousands of persons who climb the Alps and Tyrolean peaks and painted with eloquence the great good which will result when the people of this country in similar numbers are awakened to the possibility of viewing wonders of nature almost at their doors. The Lakes of the Clouds hut cost the club between $4000 and $5000. It is not expected that there will be any return on this expenditure. The caretaker, in this or other huts is allowed to charge for food only a sum slightly above cost, and really less than what tourists would have to pay if buying at retail in the valleys. The enlargements of the huts, providing separate sleeping quarters for women, and better ventilation for all, so that it is no longer necessary to leave doors open "with the consequent danger of losing one or more shoes to the porcupines," have resulted in great increase in the number of mountain climbers.

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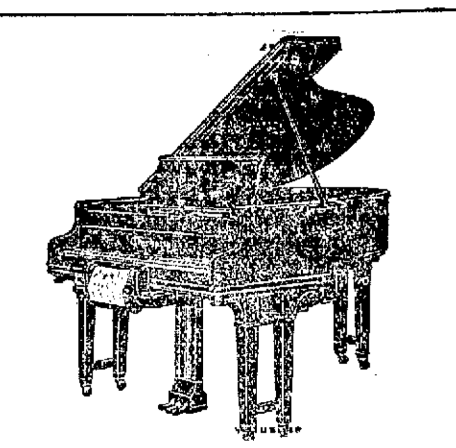

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REPORT OF DEATHS

For the week Ending December 16

Dec.
6—Edward A. Robertson, 54, disease of the heart.
7—Charles H. Molloy, 54, chr. myocarditis.
M. Elizabeth Kelly, 48, chr. int. nephritis.
Mary J. Walsh, 53, myocarditis.
8—Mary Mountford, 70, car. dilatation.
Wilfrid Grenier, 30, Typhoid fever.
Catherine Mullen, 10m, measles.
Eliza A. Dwyer, 42, carcinoma.
9—Bernadette Dunn, 1, chr. otitis of rt. ear.
Eva Lavine, 1, intussusception.
Mary E. Day, 67, arterio-sclerosis.
Julia E. Shea, 28, car. hypertrophy.
Hugh McGinn, 49, ac. poisoning.
Julia L. Sanderson, 72, chr. myocarditis.
Delia T. Slattery, 30, pneumonia.
Thomas H. Quinn, 56, arterio-sclerosis.
Annie F. McKissock, 72, ac. poisoning.
10—Edward L. Brown, 79, chr. endocarditis.
William Bustowicz, 27d, broncho-pneumonia.
John H. Archibald, 2d, prem. birth.
Mary A. Brennan, 49, myocarditis.
Rosalie Perreault, 76, cer. hemorrhage.
Clement Cyr, 32, suicide.
11———— Croton, 1/2d, prem. birth.
Catherine Hall, 70, sen. dementia.
Elizabeth C. Lynch, 46, int. nephritis.
Wladyslaw Janoch, 11m, meningitis.
Stanislaw Sikslmski, 1, marasmus.
——— Labarnche, 2mi, difficult labor.
12—Evelyn Bettencourt, 5m, gastro-enteritis.
Edouard Lequin, 27d, lob. pneumonia.
Henrietta L. Cunningham, 1m, gastro-enteritis.
Mary S. Racho, 19, diarrhoea.
Bridget Bell, 54, cer. haemorrhage.
13———— Custer, 1d, Malnutrition.
Edward Burrows, 65, arterio-sclerosis.
Basilios Tsiapatsaris, 5m, ac. pneumonia.
George A. Simpson, 1m, con. debility.
Merril Peltier, 65, arterio-sclerosis.
Edward A. Keleher, 19, mit. regurgitation.
14—Joseph R. Fontaine, 2, diphtheria.
Germaine Goyette, 5d, con. debility.
Susan M. Fitzpatrick, 72, disease of the heart.
Helen A. Moriarty, 23, hep. cirrhosis.
Elizabeth Gallagher, 46, carcinoma.
Franklin Guyette, 75, cer. hemorrhage.
15—Marion Murphy, 15mi, prem. birth.
Bridget Corey, 42, sarcoma.

Stephen Flynn, City Clerk.

SAYS PEOPLE WILL SAVE $3,000,000 ANNUALLY

APPELLATE DIVISION OF SUPREME COURT DECIDES PUBLIC SHALL NOT PAY FOR PAPER

ALBANY, Dec. 16.—New York state families will save $3,000,000 annually on the meat they buy, it is asserted, through the affirmation by the appellate division of the supreme court, second department, of Armour & Co.'s conviction for selling wrapped meats without marking the net weight of the meat on the wrapper. In effect the decision prevents the sale of wrapped paper at meat prices.

The case in point was tried in Yonkers and a fine of $100 was imposed upon Armour & Co. for selling six pounds of bacon for 26 cents a pound, in which six ounces of the package was wrapping paper. John H. Farrell, state superintendent of weights and measures, who estimated that the public in this state bought $3,000,000 worth of wrapping paper a year at meat prices, declared that his estimate was conservative. The saving would be $1,500,000 in New York city alone, he said.

FUNERALS

COREY—The funeral of Mrs. Bridget Corey, wife of Patrick Corey, of 186 Concord street, took place Saturday with impressive services at the Immaculate Conception church where a large number of relatives and friends attended. A high mass of requiem was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Fr. Tighe, O.M.I., the choir rendering the Gregorian chant with appropriate solos. There was a profusion of floral tributes expressive of sorrow for deceased and sympathy for the bereaved family. Among the number were a large pillow inscribed "Wife and Mother," from the family, and other beautiful designs sent by employes of the Hamilton Manufacturing Co., Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Scullion and family, the McGuinness family, Miss Sarah Corey, the Matthews family and Mr. and Mrs. Laforest Beals. Spiritual offerings were sent by Minnie Corey, employes of the Hamilton Co., Patrick, Mary and Annie Keown, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gelding, Mrs. McDermott, Mrs. Donohoe, Wilfred Hammersly, Catherine McKearney and girls of the eighth grade of the Immaculate Conception school. The bearers were Timothy Sweeney of Cambridge, James Matthews, John Gallagher, Miles Finnegan, Cornelius Monahan and John Cox. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I. The funeral was in charge of Mr. John F. Rogers. Friends were present from Cambridge, Boston and other cities.

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PELTIER—The funeral of Meril Peltier, took place Saturday from his home, 83 Crawford street. High mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Jean Baptiste church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. H. Racette, O.M.I. The bearers were Adolphe Delisle, Stephen Rochette, J. T. Vincent, Vital Robert, Camille Rousseau and F. Greenwood. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Joseph Belduc, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

DEATHS

LENNON—Died in Dorchester, Dec. 15, Patrick J., beloved husband of Annie M. Lennon (nee Dillon), 41 years. Late member of Sherwood Court, M.C.O.F., Division 18, A.O.H., and Edmund Phelan Branch, I.N.F.

MORTALITY OF LOWELL

For the week ending Dec. [illegible] 1916: Population 107,978; total deaths, 4[illegible]; deaths under five, 18; infectious diseases, 5; acute lung diseases, 5; diphtheria, 1; typhoid fever, 1; measles, 1.

Death rate: 22.59 against 25.52 and 21.67 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported: Diphtheria, 6; scarlet fever, 8; measles, 31; tuberculosis, 6. Board of Health.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

SAFE CRACKED; $1000 TAKEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Five safe blowers entered a State street store yesterday, chloroformed two watchmen, blew the safe and escaped with $1000.

BIG DROP IN VALUE OF ITALIAN MONEY

DEPRECIATION SINCE COUNTRY ENTERED THE WAR CAUSES ALARM

ROME, Dec. 18.—The big commercial and financial problem now disturbing Italy is the depreciation of her money in foreign markets. Notwithstanding the success of her armies and the confidence at home and abroad that her territory cannot be invaded, the lire (19.3 cents) has continued to drop in value ever since Italy entered the war.

At the beginning of the war an American dollar was worth five lire fifteen centimes. During the present year this dollar in Italy has had an average value of six lire fifty centimes. This same general depreciation applies to every county in Europe.

The lire, before the war quoted at par with the French franc, has lost 10 to 15 per cent of its purchasing power there. In other words, during the present year it has taken an average of 112 lire to buy 100 French francs, the lowest average value of the lire on the Paris bourse since 1871, when the present Italian government had just firmly established itself by the taking of Rome.

In calling attention to these facts, Italie of Rome points out that the lire in Switzerland loses 28 per cent of its value and is worth no more in proportion than the German mark, whereas the Spanish dollar or five pesetas piece, having less actual silver in it than the 5-lire or 5-francs piece, is now worth in Paris 6 francs.

The Popolo Romano in a recent discussion of the situation stated that the general reason for the depreciation of the lire was the excess of purchases made abroad over goods sold abroad, an excess which it estimates for the year 1916 as $333,000,000. This excess is due to war supplies bought abroad, to the destruction of the tourist trade of peace times, and to the necessity of keeping at home articles of food or clothing formerly exported.

In practice this excess means that if an Italian merchant imports a quantity of American shoes at $4 each, he must pay an exchange rate that makes each pair really cost him $5.20. The Popolo Romano states that unless some solution is found to the problem, the county will after the war face disaster, and will not then be in any better position to increase the exchange value of its money than now. It predicts that all the available moneys and bonds will be drained out of Italy by this species of war tax. It urges an arbitrary fixing among the allies of an exchange standard until after the war. It states that the final solution of the problem lies in domestic economy, the limiting of imports and, immediately after the war, the increase of Italian industrial exports to the Orient.

Temporary measures adopted recently by the government are tending to force economy in the consumption of all articles that must be purchased in foreign countries. It has placed an arbitrary price of 50 cents the two pounds on sugar, which is regarded as a luxury in Italy, has taken charge of all beet sugar factories in Italy and of all sugar imported, and has so limited the supply that even at this price sugar cannot be purchased in more than two-pound lots. Each week a certain number of carloads of sugar is assigned to each large city and when this supply is distributed, sugar cannot be had for any money.

The government has also [illegible] the imports of coal that coal is now retailed at $[illegible] the ton, and the greater part of the population will be [illegible] to use it at all this winter. While meats, particularly mutton, may be found on the market at [illegible] cents a pound, a [illegible] decree has [illegible] the sale on Thursday and [illegible] of each week. Another [illegible] provides for the closing [illegible] and the dimming of street lamps at [illegible].

If the lire continues its [illegible] in value, other [illegible] will be forced upon the people of Italy.

SCHOONER WRECKED IN STORM

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. [illegible] the tidal wave [illegible] was the only member of [illegible]

$150,000 LOSS BY STORM

YARMOUTH, N. S., [illegible] Nova Scotia lobster fishermen [illegible] loss by the storm which [illegible] coast Saturday [illegible] The whole southern coast [illegible] of the province [illegible] wreckage of lobster traps [illegible] and the destruction of [illegible] floating cars filled with lobsters [illegible] heavily to the loss.

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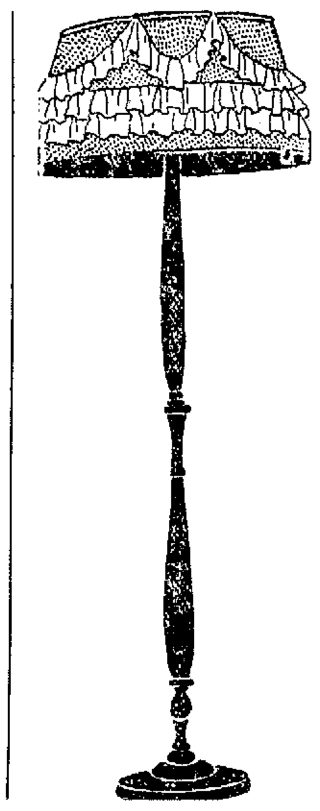

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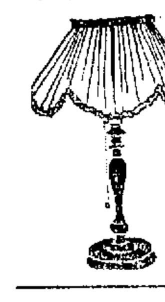

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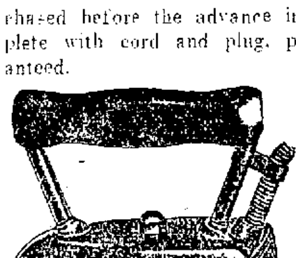

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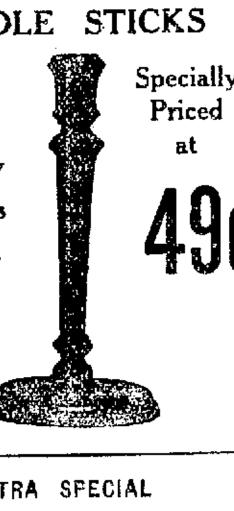

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NOTED BIKE RIDERS START 6-DAY RACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Fourteen teams of the fastest bicycle riders in the world were entered for the midnight start in the 24th annual six-day race in Madison Square Garden. The field is smaller this year than in any previous contest as the management wished to avoid accidents through crowding by inexperienced riders whose presence on the track retards the faster men in the sprints.

This year the Berlin, or point system for places gained in five-mile sprints, 10 of which will take place each evening between 8 and 10 o'clock, will have a bearing on the placing of the final winners of cash prizes. The points gained in these daily sprints will be added to the scores in the final sprint Saturday night. The pick-up rule will be strictly enforced and every rider will be compelled to come to a full stop, alongside the track, before re-entering the contest to relieve his teammate.

The track has been banked higher at the turns and built somewhat narrower on the stretches than in former years, with a view to inducing record-breaking speed. Following is a list of the names and make-up of the contesting teams:

American - Australian - - Goulet and Grenda.
Australian—McNamara and Spears.
Swiss-French - Egg and DuPuy.
New England - Hill and Drobach.
New York - - Root and Madden.
Long Island - - Carman and Wiley.
Bronx - - Kaiser and Cameron.
Dixie-Belgian - - Walthour and De Bacles.

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CROWE AND DROUIN WIN RACE AT ROLLAWAY

DEFEATED COUTURE BY LAP AND A THIRD IN THE THREE-MILE EVENT

After witnessing the fast roller skating races held at the Rollaway rink this season, many were of the opinion that a running race would appear rather slow and uninteresting, but such was not the case, for the running race there on Saturday night proved very fast and decidedly interesting.

Fred Couture of the Bellevue club, appeared against Tony Drouin of the Mathew Temperance institute and Jas. Crowe of the O.M.I. Cadets in a three-mile event and the distance was covered in a little more than 17 minutes. This is exceptionally fast time for amateurs, especially when one considers that the course is 19 laps to the mile.

Crowe and Drouin were teamed against Couture and the conditions permitted the duo to relay each other at will. This proved a little too much for the Bellevue representative and in spite of the fact that he put up a game fight, he was forced to submit to defeat.

Crowe and Couture started at the scratch, and after going four laps at a neck to neck clip, Crowe sprinted and succeeded in gaining a ten yard lead. He then signalled to Drouin and the Mathew runner came in and held the lead established by his partner. He continued to plug for about eight laps, when he called for Crowe. The cadet started off like a flash and piled up a lead of half a lap, before he retired. Again Drouin, who proved to be a great plugger, came on and he succeeded in slightly increasing the lead Crowe gave him. They continued this plan throughout the race. When the final mile was reached Drouin had a lap lead on Couture and Crowe relieved him and by a fast sprint increased the advantage to a lap and a third, before the bell rang. All runners finished strong.

There was a large crowd on hand, each organization sending a goodly sized representation. Enthusiasm ran high, and the three performers were loudly cheered during the progress of the race. The second series of three races will be held next Saturday night, when the same men will appear in a five-mile event.

BOUTS THIS WEEK

TODAY

Richie Mitchell vs. Joe Welling, Racine, Wis.
Young Britt vs. Billy Myers, Taunton.
Jack McCarron vs. K. O. Brennan, Rochester, N. Y.
Willie Beecher vs. Shamus O'Brien, New York.
George Chaney vs. Al Britt, Baltimore.
Johnny Dundee vs. Buck Fleming, Philadelphia.
Tommy Robson vs. Young O'Neil, Woonsocket.
Tony Vatin vs. Paul Demers, New Bedford.
Charlie Sheppard vs. Frankie McManus, Gloucester.
Jimmy Wylde vs. Zulu Kid, Hulborn, Eng.
Frank Moran vs. Gunboat Smith, Brooklyn.
Bombardier Wells vs. Dan Voyles, London, Eng.
Sailor Kirk vs. Gilbert Gallant, Denver.

TUESDAY

Eddie Murphy vs. Joe Connolly; Mel Coogan vs. Larry Hansen; Kid Lee vs. Al Girard; Louis Leonard vs. Kid Thomas, Armory A. A.
Frank Carbone vs. Mike McTeague, Thornton.
Jim Savage vs. Tom Johnson, New York.
Billy Miske vs. Jack Dillon, Brooklyn.
Joe Rivers vs. Joe Demarest, Gardner.
Pat Green vs. Joe Carroll; Kid Labore vs. J. Russell, and Joe Eagan vs. Al Nelson, Manchester, N. H.
Gus Christie vs. Jackie Clarke, Albany.

WEDNESDAY

Charlie Weinert vs. Billy Weeks, Cincinnati.
Mike O'Dowd vs. Jack Toland, Marieville, R. I.
Mel Coogan vs. Young Murphy, Greenfield.

THURSDAY

Ted Lewis vs. Johnny Griffiths, Cleveland, O.
Tom Robson vs. Jim Mitchen, Lawrence.

FRIDAY

Tony Vatlin vs. Paul Demers; Charlie Sheppard vs. Johnny Donovan; Tom McFarland vs. Chick West, and Sam White vs. Ray Durette, Commercial A. C.
Al Rogers vs. Johnny Wilson, Bangor.
St. Patrick's T. A. society, Brockton.
Frankie Russell vs. Jack Hanlon, New Orleans.
Johnny Howard vs. Bill McKinnon, Westfield.

RED SOX SECRETARY

Chicago Boy Chosen to Fill the Place of Eddie Riley Former Field Secretary to the team

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—A Chicago boy was picked yesterday for the position of traveling secretary for the world's champion Boston Red Sox when the new owners of the champions, Harry Frazee and Hugh Ward, announced they had chosen Larry Graver to handle the business end of the tours of the team next year.

Graver has been in the box office at the Cort theatre here for the last six years, and Mr. Frazee is owner of the theatre. The boy has been associated with him for that length of time. Because of his ability and faithful service he was picked for the more important position in Boston and will join the Red Sox in time to buy their tickets for Hot Springs when the training trip begins.

Graver has had considerable experience in baseball, too, as he has sold box seats at Comiskey park at various times during the summer. He is a close friend of Ray Schalk, the Sox catcher, and was best man at Schalk's wedding recently. The former secretary for the Red Sox was Ed Riley, who was dismissed by the former owner, Joe Lannin, just before the world's series began.

ROGERS' QUESTION MAY ESTABLISH PRECEDENT

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Congressman Rogers of Lowell this week put up a question to the state department, the answer to which is likely to establish an important precedent, as to the status of men honorably discharged but still on the reserve list of the army.

A Massachusetts case came to the attention of Mr. Rogers and was the basis of his inquiry. The point in question related to a naturalized citizen of Mr. Rogers' district, who was on the reserve list but who several months ago went abroad and enlisted with one of the belligerin forces where he is still serving. Mr. Rogers now raises the point as to whether his connection with the U. S. government as a member of its reserve army force is sufficient to warrant the state department asking that he be returned. The state department and the war department now have the question under consideration. It is the first time such a question has been put before them and they will look into it thoroughly as on their decision a precedent for future action will be established. Unquestionably there are hundreds of naturalized Americans abroad who have taken up arms on one side or another for their native countries, and the question of their return to this country is an important one. As members of the U. S. army on reserve force they are subject to a call to the colors at any moment. By absenting themselves from this country and taking up arms for another they may have placed themselves in an embarrassing position, and it is Mr. Rogers' desire to protect both the men and the government by having a diplomatic agreement between the United States and foreign countries regarding the exact status of such men.

RICHARDS.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS BY IRISH FORESTERS

A meeting of the members of Branch O'Neil Crowley, 598, Irish National Foresters was held yesterday afternoon in A.O.H. hall with Chief Ranger Charles Shanley in the chair. Two applications for membership were received and one new member was initiated. A feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Chief ranger, John J. Mahoney; sub chief ranger, Patrick Sexton; financial secretary, Thomas Nevin; assistant secretary, Joseph Handley; treasurer, Jas. W. McKenna; senior woodward, Thomas Slattery; junior woodward, Terrence Kelley; senior beadle, Michael Nugent; junior beadle, Edward Cromey; physician, Dr. James J. Cassidy; trustee for three years, Hugh McQuade. The newly elected officers will be installed on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 7, 1917, by Past Chief Ranger Patrick Linehan. At the conclusion of the meeting a social hour will be enjoyed.

WILD RUNAWAY

A runaway horse dragging a pair of shafts galloped through Merrimack square at a high speed about 5:30 o'clock more than a hundred and terrorized more than a hundred pedestrians who were in the square at that busy hour. The horse came straight down Merrimack street and proceeded through the square in front of The Sun building. Bystanders heralded the approach of the horse by shouts of warning to people who were boarding cars and crossing the street. Several women had narrow escapes. The horse finally cleared itself of the dangling shafts ad stopped its madcap galloping chase in Belvidere.

THE LOWELL THRIFT CLUB

Members of the Thrift club for the year 1916, conducted by the Exchange Trust Co. of Boston, were paid last week $1,539,587.63, according to President Martin's statement. He says there were 41,500 club members. What is even more interesting is his statement that investigation shows that the majority of the members never had a bank account. It is exactly the same system of compulsory saving that is to be introduced in this city under the name Lowell Thrift club by the Middlesex Trust Co. The membership list opens tonight.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

LOWELLITES HEAR BILLY SUNDAY

Saturday night was "Lowell night" at the Billy Sunday tabernacle when more than 2000 men and women went from this city on three special trains comprising 12 cars each to hear the much talked of evangelist. The trains were late in leaving the Middlesex street station and hence much difficulty was experienced in reaching the tabernacle. The services began soon after their arrival, however. "Rody," the choir leader, congratulated the Lowell delegation and they responded with cheers for "Rody," Sunday and Lowell. They also sang the following original song to the tune of "Brighten the Corner."

"We have all come down from Lowell,
three thousand strong.
Just to get a little of your pep,
And to give us courage to go back and
fight the liquor throng,
Because our city is still wet.

"Lowell churches—to the fight!
Battle for vict'ry in the right!
Like you here in Boston, we're to drive
booze out of sight.
Watch out for Lowell from tonight."

Rody pronounced the delegation the largest from a distance that ever attended a Sunday revival in any city, and naturally the singing leader became immensely popular with the Lowell crowd.

The delegation returned to this city on the specials.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Rev. W. George Mullin has sent out in behalf of the Knight of Columbus Guild an appeal for the annual Christmas offerings. At an expense of $1200 in the past year, the guild has given food to 49 families, has clothed 90 persons and has interested itself in 270 cases. The funds are low at the present time and there is a whole lot of work that could be done if money were available. Contributors may notify Rev. Fr. Mullin, treasurer of the guild, or the Knights of Columbus headquarters.

MISSING MAN FOUND DEAD IN HIS ROOM

The body of William Bennett, aged about 75 years, who during the storm Friday was reported missing, was found in his room in the old Middlesex Tavern, 1637 Middlesex street, Saturday night, by Patrolman Johnson. The man died from exposure, according to the finding of Medical Examiner Meigs.

Bennett was employed as a choreman by several residents of Tyler park and vicinity. On Friday E. H. Sanborn noted the absence of the man and reported his disappearance to the police. Saturday night Patrolman Johnson was sent to the house where Bennett had been living alone and received no answer after rapping on the door. Occupants of another part of the house said that they had not seen the man for several days. An entrance was forced and the body was found, fully dressed, on the floor near the bed.

Medical Examiner Meigs said the man had been dead for 10 days. Undertaker Healey removed the remains to his rooms in Branch street. Deceased has a brother living in Sandwich, N. H., and a sister whose exact whereabouts have not been learned.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

INQUIRY INTO COAL AND CAR SHORTAGE

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Inquiry into an alleged shortage of coal and a car shortage in the middle west was begun here today by United States District Attorney Charles F. Clyne, assisted by George W. Anderson, United States district attorney at Boston, and other federal officials.

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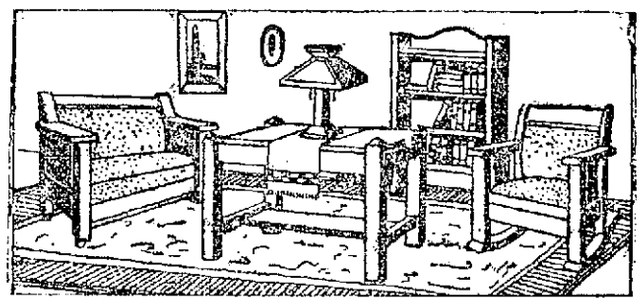
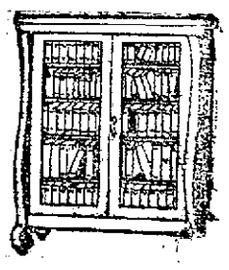

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WHERE LOWELL IS SLIGHTED

In his recent report Secretary McAdoo of the United States treasury department exposes the so-called "pork" legislation of past years by which federal buildings have been lavishly scattered over the country in a way that is wasteful and extravagant at some points while at others, such for example as in Lowell, the buildings are wholly inadequate to meet the pressing demands of the government's business.

The secretary attacks the so-called omnibus public building bills which have resulted in the construction of many federal buildings in small towns and localities where they are not needed and at a cost clearly unjustified by the requirements of the communities in which they are erected.

Political pull rather than actual necessity has dictated the grant of such buildings, even while large communities have to struggle along with structures far too small to meet their actual needs. In the past two decades, says the report, the sum of $180,000,000 has been appropriated for public buildings, the greater part of which has been expended on costly structures in small localities where neither the government business nor the convenience of the people justified their construction. But the most serious aspect is the cost of maintenance which is ever increasing. There are 1000 federal buildings to be operated and maintained and in spite of the conditions mentioned the government is paying $3,000,000 annually in rental for space in connection with its buildings in large cities.

Here is a condition that calls for an immediate remedy. The people of Lowell have been greatly inconvenienced by a post office that is very much too small to accommodate local business and yet while Lowell has been neglected, buildings were erected in other localities where they were not needed.

It is up to Congressman Rogers to put up such a battle as will secure a new postoffice for Lowell, one that will be big enough for the needs of the next twenty years and worthy of a large and growing city. What is true of federal buildings is probably also true of the expenditure of the large appropriations made annually for improving inland waterways, yet the officials at Washington are not disposed to give the claims of the Merrimack fair consideration, despite the fact that it runs more spindles than any other river in the world. Two things then, we want from congress—a new postoffice and an appropriation to make the Merrimack river navigable. We can say to Congressman Rogers that in pushing both projects he will have the undivided support of the press and the people of Lowell.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

With Christmas but one week away it would appear that a very large part of the shopping remains yet to be done. Never before did the local stores appear so resplendent in their decorations or so prosperous in their business. Everything the fancy can suggest is to be found in our great department stores as a tour of any of them will strikingly attest. There is no excuse for parties going to Boston for what they want and those who may go will find that they can purchase their needs in Lowell at a much lower price. While prices are higher than formerly, the stores, judging from their advertisements, are offering great inducements to purchasers in every line. It is, therefore, in order for those who wish to avoid the eleventh hour crowding to get out at once and do their shopping. Those who do not work during the day should do their shopping in the forenoon as they will then have the best opportunity to go through the stores and select what they want with satisfaction and comfort.

NEW PROGRESSIVE PARTY

Leaders of the progressive party have taken steps to revive, or as they say, "reincarnate," the party so that it will be entirely independent of other parties and ready to advance liberal reforms wherever feasible. A convention is to be held at St. Louis on Washington's birthday and Matthew Hale of Boston, national vice chairman of the progressive party, is the leading spirit authorized to select a committee and plan for the convention. This attempt on the part of loyal progressives may be of more significance than appears on the surface.

If properly conducted the party may eventually succeed the old republican party unless what is known as the "Old Guard" either subsides or gets into the onward march of progress. The new party will admit none of the former members who went back to the republicans in the recent contest. In other words the party will be made up of progressives who have kept their pledges and fought for their convictions.

OUR NEW FLYING SQUADRON

We are likely to become quite familiar with hydroplanes in the near future as a government order for thirty-two of them has been placed with the Burgess company of Marblehead. It is not improbable that on their trial trips they will be frequently seen along the Massachusetts coast.

Each machine is to be over 30 feet long with a wing span of 70 feet. There will be two motors of 125 horse power each. The weight of the machine will be two tons and the carrying capacity 1800 pounds. The maximum speed will be 75 miles an hour and the climbing rate of the loaded machine 250 feet per minute. They will be so constructed as to have special stability in the water. Thus is Uncle Sam providing for a flying squadron for scouting purposes at sea or along the coast.

THE CALL OF THE STARVING

"In God's name, help now—no matter how little—they are dying!" This is from an appeal sent out in behalf of the starving children in Europe, victims of the war. Millions have already died and other millions are dying in Belgium and other countries ravaged by the war during the last two years. All the children in Poland are dead and sinking under the effects of two years of underfeeding millions in other countries are slowly starving.

The appeal says 10 cents will give a child one day's life—thirty-five dollars will feed it for a year in the battle-riven countries of southern Europe.

Remittances for this fund should be sent to Joseph H. O'Neill, treasurer, Federal Trust company, 85 Devonshire street, Boston.

ANOTHER STEP FORWARD

Col. George O. Squier, U.S.A., attached to the aviation section of the signal corps has invented an apparatus by which cable messages can be received by the Morse signals as in radio telegraphy. Up to the present all ocean cables have been operated with what is known as the visual recorder, or by light flashes interpreted by expert recorders.

This new invention will cause the cables to express the code in sounds, which will greatly facilitate the taking of messages and thus make the cables more serviceable.

This invention is another triumph for the ingenuity of Americans and now the name of Squier will be linked with those of Morse and Field, the great pioneers in telegraphy.

PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Associations that are being organized in connection with town and country schools have great possibilities for good. Nothing is of more benefit to the teachers than the steady and active co-operation of the parents. The good results obtained not only in school affairs but in making the schools social centres at which neighborhood gatherings are held, and betterment movements promoted, are already recognized. The joint action of all concerned in a school district secures the best results in education and at the same time helps local industries, local improvements and stamps out local abuses.

PORTO RICAN BILL

There is no doubt that congress will pass the measure recommended by President Wilson to extend American citizenship to the people of Porto Rico. From all accounts the Porto Ricans have made great progress since coming under the control of the United States. The measure before congress and which has already passed the house provides also a more liberal measure of home rule for these islanders, all of which is but a matter of justice.

Germany is now to use her efforts to secure a separate peace with Italy in order, if possible, to break up the solidarity of the entente allies. She has evidently had all the fighting she wanted.

New York is to build the biggest hotel in the world—a sixteen-story structure with a thousand rooms. The site alone will cost $800,000, being in the heart of the busy district at Seventh avenue and Fifty-sixth street.

Germany goes right ahead with the deportation of the Belgians and will continue it until the end of the war.

Villa wants a truce with the United States until he can conquer Carranza. The gall of him!

Seen and Heard

The way to make mind triumphant over matter is to think about your new hat when your new shoes are killing you.

The Chicago Examiner remarks that a handsome girl with a cigaret breath is about as attractive as a rosebud that has been picked out of a barroom cuspidor.

Where Creditors Got Left

It doesn't always pay for creditors to assume that the estate of a bankrupt is so small that it isn't worth while to try and prove their claims, although of course it frequently happens that such is the case. In fact in the big majority of instances the creditors have the correct dope. At a recent session of the bankruptcy court the exception to the rule was proved. A Brockton bankrupt had a number of creditors and the estate that went into the hands of the trustee seemed so small that all but two declined to go to the bother of proving their claims. Later developments showed that the estate was larger than at first thought and the two creditors who did prove their claims were paid in full and quite a substantial balance was returned to the bankrupt, much to the chagrin of the other creditors.—Brockton Daily Enterprise.

Spanked By Queen

Sir Charles Halle, the famous musician, once described the Kaiser in his boyhood as "charming, but a devil." On one occasion the little prince was staying with Queen Victoria and entered the queen's room just as Sir Charles was leaving it. The queen told him to salute her visitor. He refused, and she asked him what his mamma would say if she were told that her little boy was impolite? However, he would not move. The queen insisted that he should obey, and the delightful eight-year-old boy, looking straight into her eyes, said:

"I will not."

"This, according to Miss Clara Jerrold in "The Widowhood of Queen Victoria," was followed by a spanking, or as the musician put it "a veritable struggle and a very painful one took place between grandmother and grandson. At last the child yielded and made a deep bow."

The Thrift Club

"Well, I'm mighty glad I did it." I heard a local young man remark to another as he took a seat with a friend behind me in a trolley car last night. I was curious to know what he was glad he did, so I listened. "It came pretty hard at times, especially in the summer when there were so many ways to spend money, but I stuck to it with the tenacity of grim determination, and once borrowed it from a friend, that I might keep up, and now I have my reward. Two dollars a week isn't much when it comes every week as a regular expense, but it seemed a whole lot to me sometimes. But say, it is good to think that I have that $100 to spend this Christmas, and don't you believe it isn't." Then I knew what he was glad he did. He was glad he went into some saving club in a local bank, and he was glad he was going to get that coin out to spend. And many another, I suspect, is just as glad as he is, on their own account and for the same reason. With the joy of receiving that money fresh in mind, there should be little difficulty in getting them to join another club when they are started again.—Lawrence Telegram.

Duffy

Duffy? Who's Duffy? Haven't you heard
Of Duffy, whose name is a national word?
They told him to lower our flag on his mast,
But Duffy was true to his trust to the last.

Duffy was shot down. He cried to his crew:
"We'll fight for Old Glory, whatever they do!
Our steamer may sink, and these Austrians brag;
But we'll go with our ship if they insult our flag!"

Farragut, Perry, Lawrence and Jones
Had what Capt. Duffy has got in his bones;
His ship has gone down, but we've now a new name
To put on the list in our Temple of Fame.

Duffy—just Duffy! His boat the Chemung,
Her crew and her captains should ever be sung;
They come of a breed that will fight to the last,
To the end that Old Glory be still at the mast.

—N. Y. Sun.

They Do Say

That nobody envies the postman these days.

That the political germ has never been isolated.

That next week the days will begin to grow longer.

That few street railway men slept much Friday night.

That some people look as if their feet weren't chummy.

That Lowell has had its first auto show but not its last.

That there are only five shopping days left before Christmas.

That the snow storm made business good for the blacksmiths.

That the snow storm did not prevent the jitneys from operating.

That the members of St. Elizabeth's guild are doing great work.

That the carol songsters will be around again on Christmas eve.

That getting good pay and trying to earn it are two different things.

That when the coasting is good is the time we want to be boys again.

That the best thing to do when you get sick of your job is to throw it up.

That some people go to bed when they get sick and others walk it off.

That the 1917 outfit isn't bothering Mayor O'Donnell. He's a good referee.

That rosy-cheeked boys and girls on double runners make a pretty picture.

That we don't like the fellow who doesn't blanket his horse on a cold day.

That the high cost of living is touching the heart of some company officials.

That we had at least one snow storm to remind us that Christmas was near.

That it's funny to hear tipsy men boasting about having voted no-license.

That sleigh bells are sweeter and much more pleasing to the ear than auto horns.

That the fellow who escapes from an auto accident uninjured may consider himself lucky.

That before baseball gloves were invented players fought under London prize ring rules.

That the coats worn by some of the dudes are worse than anything the girls can spring.

That beef is going up but magnates of the diamond say bone will be cheaper than ever next year.

That somehow or other you just can't help liking the fellow who has a kind word for everybody.

That a fellow weighing 350 pounds is trying to prove that the most conceited wretches in the world are little men.

That the young lady who is to enter the stock company in Lawrence this week has the best wishes of a host of Lowell friends.

COAL SHORTAGE IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The laundry proprietors of Paris and adjoining districts met today and decided if not provided with coal needed for running their laundries, they will close down on Jan. 8th.

THEATRE MAN AND WIFE JUMP FOR THEIR LIVES

THRILLING DROP FROM WINDOW OF BURNING APARTMENT TO ICY BALCONY IN BACK BAY FIRE

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—David Finestone, treasurer of the Shubert theatre, his wife, and several other tenants of apartments in the house of 14 Medfield street, in the Fenway, were rescued at an early hour yesterday, after they had sought refuge on a balcony extending from the second floor. The loss is estimated at $3000. Though the cause of the fire is unknown, according to the reports given to the police, an investigation will be made.

While the plight of several of the tenants was at times perilous, that of Mr. Finestone and his wife was of extreme hazard. Their apartment, one of six in the building, was on the third and top floor. They were asleep when Mr. and Mrs. Chester Gleason, roused by smoke and flames, groped their way to their rooms and called to them.

Cut off from the exits, both back and front, Mr. Finestone thought of the balcony. With his wife he leaped to this from a window, the Mitchells following. Even here they were insecure, for the roof of the balcony had a slight pitch, and it was slippery with a coating of ice. From this treacherous site they were rescued by firemen. Both Mr. and Mrs. Finestone received slight buises and they and their companions suffered from exposure to the cold.

Mrs. Josephine Jocelyn was taken down a ladder from the second floor. Mrs. H. Mitchell and Miss Mitchell, on the first floor, rushed to the street in their night garments, the former slipping on the icy street and being slightly hurt. The fire started in the basement and had such a good start that it was found necessary to ring in two alarms, to which apparatus from the Back Bay and Brookline responded.

The Results Were Very Remarkable

Well Known Lowell Man Gives a Glowing Testimonial for Plant Juice

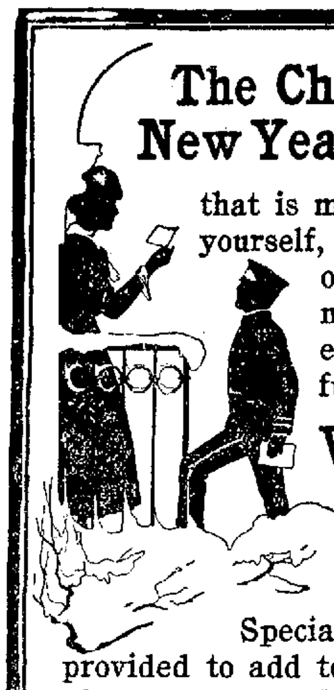
When the stomach performs its functions so perfectly that the possessor forgets that he has one, good health, physical powers and buoyant spirits prevail. The stomach in civilized people of today, however, is degenerate. It lacks tone and strength, gradually brought about by a sedentary existence. Too much food and too little exercise have forced their stomach into a half sick condition. It becomes weak and does not protect itself, and the bars are down for the entrance of disease in many forms.

Plant Juice, the new herbal stomach remedy, is a purifying and a vitalizing agent. It corrects local disorders of the stomach, which is being demonstrated daily, and verified by well known people of this city who have been restored to health, in signed testimonials.

For instance, Mr. E. A. Demmons, who lives at No. 25 Rogers street, Lowell, Mass., and has many friends in this city, recently stated:

"I have been troubled for years with my stomach; my food soured in my stomach and caused gas to form; I was afraid to sit down to the table to eat anything, as I had such pain afterwards. I could not eat meat nor vegetables and had to exist on the lightest kind of a diet. I had very severe headaches, was dizzy, and my head would seem to be in a constant whirl, so I could scarcely see anything. I could not sleep at night and felt all played out in the morning and had no ambition to do my work. I was so constipated that I had to take pills all the time, and never got any permanent relief; my kidneys troubled me, and I had terrible pains all through my back and in my side. I had tried so many medicines I was fairly disgusted, but when I heard so much about Plant Juice I thought I might try one more, although I had little faith in it helping me. After taking it for several weeks, I can truthfully say that the results were truly remarkable. My appetite is so good that I can eat anything I want and do not suffer afterward; I sleep well and am not dizzy or nervous; it has toned up my entire system and put my kidneys in fine condition. I am glad to give this endorsement for Plant Juice and hope others who suffer with stomach trouble will try it."

The Plant Juice Man is at Dows, the Druggist's, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.



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RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY LOCAL GREEKS

A largely attended meeting of the members of the local Greek colony was held at Associate hall yesterday afternoon. The speaker of the day was Dr. Anton N. Vrahnos of Boston, who asked his Lowell brethren to adopt resolutions of protest against the blockade of Greek ports by the entente allies. The great proportion of those in attendance were Royalists, but there were Venizelosists enough to add real excitement to the meeting, and there were moment when things were mighty lively.

The speaker was introduced by Dr. John C. Gatsopoulos of this city, who in a brief address stated the purpose of the meeting, saying that Greece is on the verge of starvation unless the blockade of Greek ports is lifted, and he proposed that the meeting unite in a protest to President Wilson against the continuance of the blockade.

It was some time before Dr. Vrannos was able to speak, for many in the audience kept asking questions. Finally the assembly listened and the doctor was given an opportunity to deliver his address.

In his opening he said that the situation in Greece is not unlike that of a patient over which two doctors disagree. One of the doctors in Greece, he said, is King Constantine, and his diagnosis of the case is that Greece should be allowed to remain neutral. Venizelos, on the other hand, has decided that the only thing which could save Greece would be active participation in the war on the side of the allies. There was, therefore, a great difference of opinion.

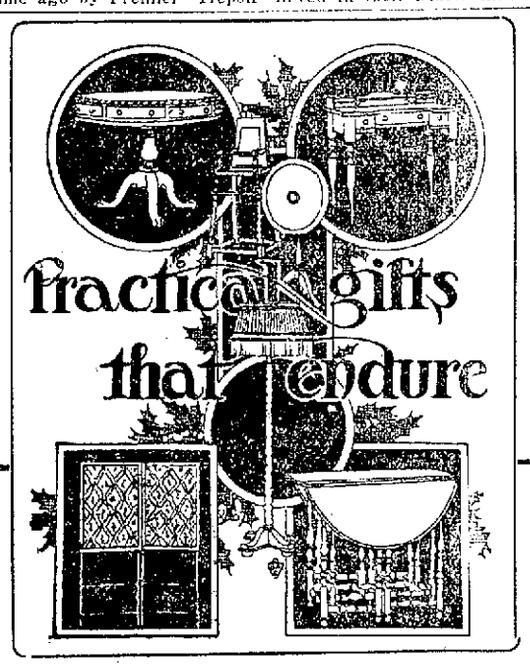
Continuing, Dr. Vrahnos said that the people of Greece desired to be friends with the entente allies and wished them to win the war, but that they did object to being forced to fight when they could never hope to get anything out of the war. One of the things which had taken all desire for participation in the conflict from the Greeks was the announcement made a short time ago by Premier Trepoff in the Russian Duma that Constantinople had been promised to Russia by her allies. To enter the war, said the speaker, would mean that the ancient dream of Greeks would forever fade and that Greeks would be willing to fight for nothing whatever, whereas every other ally of the entente would benefit if the entente should win. King Constantine, he felt, is a patriot and desires honestly to keep out of the war because war so impoverishes a nation. He denied that his attitude is dictated in the least by any love for Germany.

At the close of his address, which was often interrupted, the doctor read the resolutions of protest which were to the effect that the Greek minister in Washington should transmit to the president of the United States the protest of Lowell Greeks against the continuance of the blockade of Greek ports by the entente allies, and also that a protest should be made against the coming to this country of two pro-Venizelos men who have been spreading alleged untruthful statements about the king. The resolutions were adopted and the meeting was declared closed.

DR. JOHN C. GATSOPOULOS
Presiding Officer

During the course of his address, Dr. Vrahnos referred to certain Greek newspapers that gave out wrong stories relative to the situation in Greece, and those papers, he said, should be surpassed.

At the close of the meeting Dr. Gatsopoulos made a stirring appeal to the veterans of the Balkan war who fought side by side with King Constantine. He asked them to recall the proclamation issued by King Constantine at the close of the two victorious wars, to the effect that they should return home and live in peace, but never to forget that their work was not yet finished. He asked them if they believed in their hearts that King Constantine was a traitor and hundreds answered "no" and mention of the king's name was cheered to the echo.



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MEDICINE DIDN'T CURE

Continued

Peter Donahue of Boston, Mrs. Aggott appealed and was held in $300 for the superior court. Supt Redmond Welch prosecuted the case.

According to the evidence offered by the government, Mrs. Aggott came to Lowell on several different occasions, sold her own preparation, advised sufferers of tuberculosis to use Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Red Cross plasters and charged at a scale ranging from $5 to $7 a visit, which included a bottle of the "good for what ails you" medicine.

Konstanty Kondratowicz of 77 East Merrimack street, was the first witness. He said that his wife was ailing a few months ago and he called Mrs. Aggott from West Roxbury to visit her. After examining Mrs. Kondratowicz, the defendant is claimed to have said that she would cure her of consumption. Mrs. Aggott sold the woman a bottle of her rheumatism balsam, applied Red Cross plasters and advised her to use the Lydia Pinkham Compound and Bovina. Witness said he paid Mrs. Aggott seven dollars for the visit.

Under cross-examination Kondratowicz denied that he called the defendant's house by telephone and offered $100 to the woman if she could cure his wife of consumption. He said that when Mrs. Aggott first looked at his wife she said she could cure her and added that she had cured more people than any doctor in Lowell.

Rumney Monaregynski of 460 Central street called Mrs. Aggott to treat a five-year-old child who was suffering from boils, after he became dissatisfied with the treatment given by physicians. He said the woman used some of the balsam and that the child was cured in a few days. He claimed that he paid her five dollars for her "trouble in coming to Lowell."

Another witness for the government was Onufry Welizkon of 16 Bent's court, whose wife has been ill for some time. He testified that he tried "lots" of doctors and then went to Boston personally and requested Mrs. Aggott to come to Lowell. He said the woman came and gave his wife one bottle of medicine. The woman used it but her condition was unchanged afterward. He said that he paid her six dollars for her fare and visit. Welizkon said that he had tried every doctor in Lowell but his wife is still ill.

The fourth man to summon Mrs. Aggott was Leon Janctowicz of 36 Davidson street. His wife is now ill at the state infirmary in Tewksbury. She had trouble with her hair and the defendant cut the hair and then applied her own medicine. She is said to have gone to a drug store with Janctowicz and purchased two bottles of patent medicine which she advised be used. Witness said that he paid two dollars for the medicine and seven dollars for the fee.

Mrs. Aggott testified that she prepares a patented medicine which she has made and sold for some time. She admitted visiting the homes of the four men who testified but denied that she took any money other than one dollar from each for the price of her rheumatism balsam. She told them that if they cared to use Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Bovina to go ahead and try it as it wouldn't do any harm, she said. Part of Mrs. Aggott's work is to cheer up the patients, she said. She told one that life is too short to be crying and nagging it away. "Have faith, whatever the trouble is," was her motto. Miss Margaret Aggott, the defendant's daughter, testified relative to receiving telephone calls from the Lowell men asking to have Mrs. Aggott come to Lowell. Miss Aggott, who acted as an interpreter in the Gingras case a few years ago, believed that at least one of the defendants has had an ill feeling against her since that time.

Mr. Donahue contended that the woman simply sold her own medicine to the Lowell men but His Honor said that she treated sick people and did exactly what the statute forbids.

A FAREWELL PARTY

A very delightful and informal farewell party was tendered to Mrs. Bertha Woessner on Friday evening by the members of the German Singing society at their hall. Mr. Herman Zeiner presented the departing member a beautiful parlor clock and two cake plates on behalf of the society, and although taken entirely by surprise the guest of the evening respondd in a pleasing manner. Mrs. Woessner is a charter member and her loss will be keenly felt. After a bounteous luncheon dancing was enjoyed until the early hours of the morning. Mrs. Woessner leaves a wide circle of friends who wish her happiness and prosperity in her new home.

FRENCH CAPTURE 13,387

Continued

ter north of Fort Douaumont, where they secured a footing.

The French took 11,387 prisoners in the Verdun fighting of the past three days, the Paris war office announces, together with 115 cannon, 107 machine guns and 44 bomb throwers.

Some lessening in the intensity of the fighting in Rumania is indicated by today's German army headquarters statement which reports the situation on the Rumanian front unchanged.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's advance has pushed considerably beyond the Buzeu line, drawn approximately across the southern boundary of Moldavia and unofficial advices indicate that the entente front is to be established between Rimnik Sarat, on the Buzeu-Jassy railway about 20 miles north of Buzeu and the Danube marshes.

Rumanian Army Withdrawn

The current advices declare that the Rumanian army is no longer in action, having been withdrawn to Jassy and Bessarabia for reorouping and refitting under the protection of Russian forces which now hold the fighting line. The Russians are expected to make their stand on the Rimnik Sarat line where strong defenses have been prepared. The Berlin statement, reporting hostile forces falling back on Ibraila, may indicate that the easterly end of the line will be established at this important Danube river point, 25 miles south of Galata.

11,387 GERMANS CAPTURED BY THE FRENCH AT VERDUN SINCE DECEMBER 15

PARIS, Dec. 18, 2.10 p. m.—French forces have taken a total of 11,387 German prisoners on the Verdun front since Dec. 15, according to the announcement made by the French war office this afternoon.

A violent German counter attack on the Meuse has resulted in German forces securing a footing at the Chambrettes farm.

The text says:

"South of the river Somme a detachment of the enemy which was endeavoring to occupy our lines to the northeast of Berney has been repulsed with hand grenades. On the right bank of the river Meuse German forces delivered a violent counter attack yesterday evening upon our new positions. They succeeded, however, only in securing a footing at a point on the Chambrettes farm. We continue to hold the immediate surroundings.

"The number of prisoners taken by us since Dec. 15 on the Verdun front is at present, according to the latest counting, 11,387. In addition 115 cannon, 11 bomb throwers and 700 machine guns have been taken."

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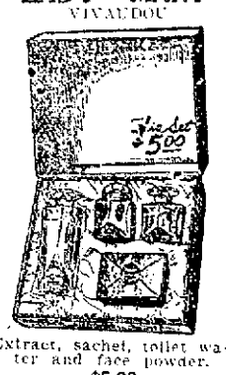

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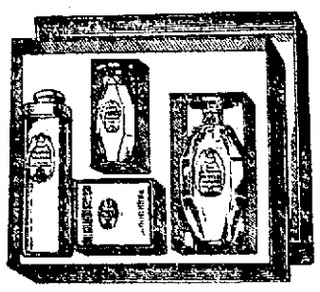

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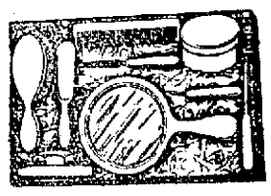

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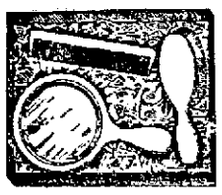

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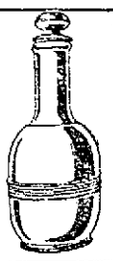

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TWO WEALTHY FAMILIES INVOLVED IN MURDER

SNYDER, Tex., Dec. 18.—Two families of wealth and wide social prominence in the southwest were involved in the killing Saturday of Edward C. Sims, a prominent cattle man. Sydney Johnson, a brother of Sims' divorced wife, Mrs. Gladys Sims, was arrested. Witnesses of the shooting told the sheriff yesterday that a dispute over the two Sims children precipitated the affair. Since Sims and his wife were divorced several months ago the children have been claimed by both father and mother at alternate periods. Sims recently married again.

Saturday Sims stopped his automobile in the business district near the car of his former wife and, it is alleged, tried to take the children from their mother.

Mrs. Sims fired several shots from a small pistol, witnesses asserted, wounding Sims twice. About the same time a heavy charge from a shotgun was fired into Sims' right side, causing almost instant death. Johnson later surrendered. Mrs. Sims was not arrested.

ST. PATRICK'S ACADEMY ALUMNI

An interesting meeting of the committee in charge of the annual reunion and banquet for the members of St. Patrick's academy alumni was held yesterday forenoon in the school hall in Suffolk street. Chairman John J. Flaherty was in the chair and matters of importance were discussed. Indications at this time point to a most successful event. Representative Dennis A. Murphy was chosen toastmaster of the evening, and among the speakers will be Mayor James E. O'Donnell. The mayor is a graduate of the school.

FIRE CHIEF SAUNDERS INJURED AT FIRE

Fire Chief Edward F. Saunders was injured at a fire in the cellar of a building at 310 Market street about 6 o'clock Saturday evening when he stepped on a nail which imbedded in his foot. He will be on the injured list of the department for a few days.

The fire was in a block at the corner of Market and Worthen streets. The blaze started in the basement and when the firemen arrived there was a stubborn fire in progress and the building was filled with smoke. The upper part of the building was occupied by a Greek newspaper company and tenements. It at first looked as though a bad fire would result but prompt work by the department confined the blaze to the cellar.

LEAGUE TO ENFORCE PEACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Formation of a league of nations to insure lasting international peace following the termination of the present war was endorsed here last night in a speech by John Howard Whitehouse, liberal member of the British parliament. Mr. Whitehouse is here studying educational methods with a view of introducing them in England after the war.

"We must find a way to make this the last war, and the United States can be of great help in promoting this suggestion at the end of the war," he declared.

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EDWARD M. BOWERS DIED SUDDENLY

WELL KNOWN CENTRALVILLE GROCER PASSED AWAY IN BOSTON SATURDAY EVENING

The members of the Lowell Retail Grocers and Provision Dealers' association of this city and numerous other friends of Edward M. Bowers, a well known business man of Lowell, were grieved to learn of his sudden death which occurred in Boston Saturday evening, the cause of death being heart disease.

Mr. Bowers attended a meeting in

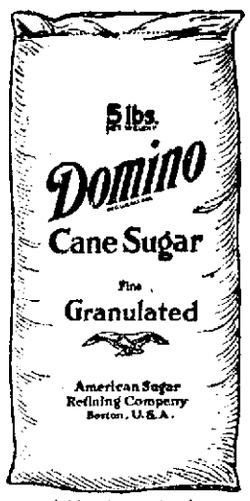
THE LATE EDWARD M. BOWERS

Boston Saturday evening and while returning to the North station on an electric car he was taken ill. He was removed to a nearby drug store and later while being removed to the City hospital in the ambulance, passed away.

Mr. Bowers was 56 years of age and was one of the best known grocers of the city, having for a great many years conducted a place of business in West Sixth street. He was a prominent member of Court Middlesex, F. of A., the Loyal Order of Moose, Lowell Nest of Owls, treasurer of the Lowell Grocers and Provision Dealers' association, president of the Reform club corporation and a member of the Holy Name society of St. Michael's church. He is survived by a brother, Joseph M. Bowers, four sisters, Mrs. Anna M. Doyle, Mrs. G. H. Webster, Margaret T. Bowers and Mrs. Lyman Barnes of Hinckley, Me. The body was removed to the home of a niece, Mrs. Charles H. Whitney, Jr., 72 West Sixth street.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

A largely attended meeting of the members of the Holy Name society of St. Michael's church was held last evening in the lower church and a feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Charles Burns, president; William Irvin, vice president; James Duddy, treasurer; Alexander Cryan, financial secretary; James Mullin, recording secretary, Rev. Francis J. Mullin, spiritual director.



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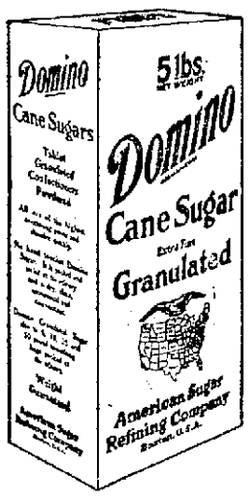

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PATHE NEWS AND OTHER PLAYS

AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

"Everyman's Castle," a powerful play of the present day which deals with the subject of birth control, is the offering of the Emerson Players at the Opera House all this week and the advance sale of seats indicates that the attraction will prove one of the biggest hits of the season. No doubt, there are many who will spend much of this week's time in shopping, yet in arranging your shopping tours do not fail to secure your seats early for the Opera House as this play is one that you cannot afford to miss. Seats can be secured by phoning 261.

This play is a brilliant one indeed, coming from the pen of William Anthony Maguire, who also wrote "The Divorce Question" and "The Warning." While the play is intensely dramatic and there are many wonderful situations in the play, there is also a delightful line of comedy and from the start to the finish of the play there is not a single dull moment. And while the play treats with a delicate subject, there is nothing that will offend.

Miss Gladys McLeod, the clever young actress, who last week, when Ann O'Day was injured, played the leading role, will be seen in the character of Mrs. Brand, as Miss O'Day will be unable to appear this week, on account of her injured ankle. Miss McLeod is certain to give a wonderful performance. Ivan Miller, too, will be seen in one of the best characters he has played since the opening of the season. James Hayden and Helen Kinsel will be seen in splendid character roles, while Rose Morison, Millard Vincent and Gertrude Shirley are well cast in characters which they play finely. The scenic production, too, is exceptionally good.

Patrons should secure seats early and not wait until it is too late. This attraction is the best of all and theatre patrons for miles around will see this play. It is a punchy play and since its announcement there has been the greatest demand for seats for any attraction that has been given in this city in a long time. Get your seats now. Then you will not be turned away the latter part of the week like many others who will delay or hesitate in ordering their seats.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

A smack of the prairies is contained in the big singing and comedy act headed by Bert LaMont which will be the feature of the bill at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. Seven husky horsemen from the roundup will appear in this, although Mr. Lamont is naturally the particular star of the aggregation. The scene is a western plain in the early evening, with the members of the roaming squad gathering about the "church wagon" for a period of song. Mr. LaMont has a contra lyric tenor of specially good quality.

Clara Howard is a pretty young woman, who is most versatile, and who has a manner that is magnetic. Personality is her long suite, and in the group of songs which she will give this fact is demonstrated time and again. Her imitation of the only Charley Chaplin is one of the funniest things imaginable. Miss Howard is truly a star in her particular line.

For 15 minutes Al. Gerard and Sylvia Clark will give their feast of fun and song and dance. It is literally a picnic with this youthful pair gamboling about in fetching attire. Miss Clark is surely vivacious, and Mr. Gerard is always funny and alert.

Wallace Bradley, the bicycle expert, has a new partner. She is Grette Ardine, and the two are doing a miscellaneous assortment of bicycling, dancing and fun-making. Bradley does a few things on the wheel which have never been done before, and Miss Ardine is as graceful as a gazelle.

Ellen Orr comes to vaudeville straight from musical comedy, where she was a prima donna. Harry DeCosta, who was associated for a time with Grace LaRue, Adele Ritchie and Jack Norworth, is with her in their new big act. He is a pianist, and has a reputation as a composer. Miss Orr's selections from "The Enchantress" are irresistible.

Trampoline and triple bar performers come and go, but the Thomas trio will go on forever, for no trio of actors in this line do as much that is dangerous, and do it so artistically as do the members of this trio. Their work is of the very highest order, both in originality and in execution.

Blanche Sloan, sister of the famous jockey, Tod Sloan, needs every bit of her exceptional muscular development to get her through her trying act of aerialism. Her feats are executed with grace and with agility, and while great effort naturally is exerted, it is not apparent to the onlooker. The Pathe News has become an established feature of the bill at every performance. Twice weekly news views from all parts of the world are shown. Good seats for all performances may be obtained in advance at the box office. 'Phone 28.

OWL THEATRE

Mme. Petrova, the favorite of hundreds of local theatregoers, will once more be seen here on today and tomorrow, when she will appear in the stellar role of "The Black Butterfly," the feature film which will head the big double Owl theatre program. This new Metro play is the one which caused so much favorable comment in New York last week at its first presentations, in fact the powerful manner in which it tells its story of love and the great war in Europe has made it the one big hit of the present season. Filled with deep heart interest as well as the terrors of war, "The Black Butterfly" is without a doubt the greatest motion picture production of this famous emotional star. The scenes of the play go from the theatres of Paris where "The Black Butterfly" has gained fame as an opera singer, to the battlefields of the Marne, where she later is seen in the role of a Red Cross nurse. How she, unknowingly, saves the life of the man who years before had ruined her, forms a climax, the like of which is seldom, if ever, seen on the screen. In the battlefield scenes the Metro has staged what might be called the greatest battle scene ever filmed. This scene is unusually dramatic and realistic, and shows the wonderful fight made by the French when they drove the invading army of Gen. Von Kluck back from the walls of Paris.

For excellence in the cast selected, it is doubtful if a better acted motion picture production has even been presented than the Mutual masterpiece, "The Decoy," a powerful story of New York life, which will also be presented at the Owl today and tomorrow. Heading the cast of this stirring photodrama is Frances Nelson, one of the ablest and most popular of the motion picture stars, who has appeared with much success in a number of feature pictures and whose work has always attracted considerable attention for its sincerity and dramatic power.

Other high class photoplays will also be presented at the Owl today and tomorrow.

JEWEL THEATRE

Bluebird plays advertised in the Saturday Evening Post are a regular diet at the Jewel theatre. In the years that followed the kidnapping of one of the Marston twins by Hop Li, the boy was reared as a Chinaman and hatred of the Marston name was instilled in Chang's heart. Jerry Marston had played a mean trick on Hop Li, and he made kidnapping the infant his form of reprisal—until he settled the score, finally, by murdering the elder Marston. By that time Alvin had married and his twin brother, Chang, began putting into operation his own expressions of hatred for all the Marstons. The events resulting from Chang's activities have been formed into a gripping "mystery drama," and is shown today and tomorrow under the title of "The Sign of the Poppy," with Hobart Henley playing the dual role of Chang and Alvin Marston, and Gertrude Selby impersonating the perplexed and persecuted bride. There are sensations galore in the passing events of this drama, and lovers of excitement and mystery will find this attraction to their liking. Other photoplays and amateurs Tuesday evening are also booked.

ROYAL THEATRE

A magnificent double program, in conjunction with the regular releases will be shown at the Royal theatre today and tomorrow. First star attraction is Madame Olga Petrova, the beautiful, in a powerful preachment of the habit of living beyond one's means, entitled "Extravagance," and the second is a smashing, stirring, patriotic six-reel melodrama called "My Country First," featuring a new screen star, Tom Terriss, whose dashing, attractive figure will be a welcome change on the program. "Extravagance," which on many occasions has been conceded the finest Metro picture ever released, gives Mme. Petrova another excuse to exhibit wonderful gowns and rich sceneries. She plays the part of an extravagant woman who ruins her father and husband in her race for fame as an entertainer on a lavish scale. A banker who is attracted by her beauty, railroads her husband to jail, and after this blow, the true nature of the spendthrift awakes. Becoming ambitious to make money she turns to the writing of scenarios and is thereby able later on to pay her debts, and incidentally prove her husband's innocence of the theft he was accused of. In this play, the spectator is introduced to a motion picture company's studios, where a scenario is seen acted out before the camera, thereby offering a fresh novelty into a jaded public. It is a unique play, and with Mme. Petrova in the lead, and such players as Cooper Cliffe, Arthur Hoops, Maklon Hamilton, the play is acted out with unusual force and realism. "My Country First" will prove a capital attraction for the patriotic, for it tell of the struggles of a young inventor to protect his country in case of war. A strong love theme is introduced in this photo-drama, in which a triangle of a man and two women, one good and the other an adventuress, forms a plot that for suspense and thrills outdoes the average picture stories. The regular releases bring some mighty interesting bits, among them a railroad story by Kalem. Remember the price of admission at this attractive theatre is ten cents for adults; kiddies, five.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

"Interesting in every scene" is what the patrons of the Merrimack Square theatre will say after seeing the shows there this week. And their decisions will be based upon fact for the two bills this week mark a step forward in motion picture excellence; two bills which will create a lasting impression on the minds of the theatregoers.

During the first half of this week diminutive Marie Doro will appear in the title role of the five-act picturization of Charles Dickens' immortal book, "Oliver Twist," which brought about more reforms perhaps than any other book ever written. This dramatization of this famous book of this famous author is nothing short of wonderful. The spirit of the author is preserved in every scene. The moral that Dickens would point out in his story is apparent. Sin and crime are not made attractive and much good comes out of a great evil. Parents should take their children to see "Oliver Twist"; it carries a lesson to all besides being a genuinely interesting picture. All who have read the book at one time or other, and if there are a few who have not, they too should come and witness this play which brings out all the points in the strong Dickens' characters, and every incident in the play, as only motion pictures can. Marie Doro is suited ideally for the part, and as Oliver Twist she appears before the public with such realism that her genius awakens in the hearts of all who see her deep sympathy for this poor little boy, the reading of whose trial and sufferings melted many an otherwise cold heart.

Balancing well with this great moral play is the big Chaplin Revue which, with its comedy, lightens the spirits of all. This is the greatest Chaplin feature ever produced as it combines in a most perfect manner three of Chaplin's famous successes. "The Tramp," "A Night Out" and "His New Job" are woven together with consummate skill, resulting in a complete whole, which make the three plays as one, new yet elusively familiar to all who have seen each of the three separately. It is the comedy hit of the year. Although these two big features will be shown at each of the performances today, tomorrow and Wednesday, they by no means constitute the entire bill, for the latest Pathe News will be shown as well as a comedy and other plays.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by William Nelson and Susan M. Nelson, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.

Donahue and Donahue, Attorneys.
d2,11,18.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary P. Provost, late of Westford in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Henry W. Provost, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.
d8,11,18.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the next of kin and all others interested in the estate of Emma S. Olsson, late of Chelmsford, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Frederic A. Snow, the administrator of the estate not already administered, of said deceased, has presented to said court for allowance the first account of his administration on said estate and application has been made for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the next of kin of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifth day of January, A.D., 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by delivering or mailing postpaid a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate thirty days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.
d4-11-18

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Annie Doyle, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by James Edward Doyle, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A.D., 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty ninth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.
J. Joseph O'Connor, Attorney.
d4-11-18

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed executrix of the will of Elias Severson, late of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Clementine M. Crossley, Executrix. (Address) 525 Beacon st., Lowell, Mass. Dec. 7, 1916.
d9-11-18

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of William Mitchell, late of Dracut in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate not already administered of said deceased, to Thomas J. Mitchell of Waltham, in the County of Middlesex, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-eighth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d11,18,26.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Gertrude J. Webster of Cambridge, in said County, that she was lawfully married to William F. Webster, now of Erie, State of Pennsylvania, at Boston, in our County of Suffolk, the fifteenth day of July A. D. 1902, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said William F. Webster lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Cambridge, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said William F. Webster, being wholly regardless of the same, at said Cambridge on or about the third day of April A. D. 1906, utterly deserted the libellant, and said utter desertion has continued for more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Secondly said William F. Webster, being of sufficient ability, grossly, wantonly and cruelly refused and neglected, and still refuses and neglects to provide suitable maintenance for the libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said William F. Webster. Libellant prays that she may be permitted to resume her maiden name of Gertrude J. MacDonald.

Dated this fifth day of December A. D. 1916.

GERTRUDE J. WEBSTER.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court. December 6, A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

d7,11,18.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate not already administered of James Howe, late of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Esther M. Strat, Adm'x. (Address) 12 Fairmount Ave., West Somerville. December 8, 1916.

d9-11-18

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate not already administered of Robert Howe, late of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself the trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Esther M. Strat, Adm'x. (Address) 12 Fairmount Ave., Somerville. December 8, 1916.

d9-11-18

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LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Augusta P. Scott of Lowell, in said County, that she was lawfully married to Rufus H. Scott, alias Rufus Scott, now of Dorchester, in the County of Westmoreland, in the Province of New Brunswick, Dominion of Canada, at River Philip, N. S. Canada, on the twenty-fifth day of June A. D. 1896, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Rufus H. Scott lived together as husband and wife in N. S. to wit, at Southampton, Sheet Harbor, and said River Philip until Feb. 3, 1911, since which date your libellant has, in good faith, lived in this Commonwealth to wit, at said Lowell, being more than five years last preceding the filing of this libel, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Rufus H. Scott, being wholly regardless of the same, at said River Philip on or about Feb. 3, 1911, and at divers other times and places, before that date, has beat, bruised and ill-treated your libellant and designing and intending to cause her great mental pain, has maltreated and wantonly assaulted her children and by acts and threats of violence has cruelly and abusively treated your libellant, thus rendering her life with him unsafe and unbearable.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Rufus H. Scott, and that she may be given the care and custody of their minor children, whose names and ages are as follows: Ella M. Scott, 17 years, Arrelle L. Scott, 13 years, Olive L. Scott, 10 years, Frank O. Scott, 8 years.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of November A. D. 1916.

AUGUSTA P. SCOTT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, December 6, A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

d7,11,18.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Kazimierz Zyla, of Lowell, in said County, that he was lawfully married to Mary Zyla, whose present whereabouts are unknown to your libellant, at [illegible], Austria, Galicia, on the tenth day of February [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and wife at the Commonwealth [illegible] [illegible]

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Mary Zyla.

Dated this [illegible] day of December A. D. 1916.

KAZIMIERZ ZYLA

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, December [illegible] A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

George H. Allard, Attorney.

d9-15-18

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Catherine M. Maloney, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Mary J. Maloney, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d5-12-18

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Antonina Szatt, of Lowell, in said County, that she was lawfully married to John Szatt, now of New Boston, Pennsylvania, at Lowell, on the eleventh day of June, A. D. 1916, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said John Szatt lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at Lowell, for a period of one month. Your libellant has lived in this Commonwealth for more than three consecutive years last preceding the filing of this libel, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said John Szatt, being wholly regardless of the same, at Lowell was guilty of cruel and abusive treatment toward your libellant on divers occasions, and further that the said John Szatt being of sufficient ability grossly, wantonly and cruelly refuses and neglects to provide suitable maintenance for your libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said John Szatt.

Dated this fourteenth day of October, A. D. 1916.

Her
ANTONINA X SZATT.
Mark

Witness to mark, George H. Allard.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, December [illegible], A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before the Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be [illegible] days at least before said [illegible] day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

George H. Allard, Attorney.

d9-15-18

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the devisees under the will and [illegible] of [illegible] H. Harmon, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

[illegible]

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d9-11-18

SECOND HAND FURNITURE

JUST DROP US A POSTAL and we will call and buy anything in the line of furniture you have to sell, no matter what it is. We will call and look at it and give you something. Don't give it away when you can sell it. Call on us. T. F. Daly, 213 Dutton st.

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LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Tom K. Watson, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Viola E. Baisdell, of said Lowell, dated July 5, 1911 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book 470, Page 176, which mortgage deed was assigned by Gideon C. Webster, executor of the will of Viola E. Blaisdell, to Walter H. Blaisdell by assignment dated October 13, 1916, and recorded in said Registry, Book 562, Page 452, will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage deed on the premises hereinafter described on Friday, the fifth day of January 1917, at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described substantially as follows:

A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on the westerly side of Barclay Street in said Lowell, and thus bounded and described, beginning at the northeasterly corner of said premises at a stone bound at land now or formerly of Paris K. Taylor; thence southerly by said Barclay Street thirty-four (34) feet to a hub at land now or formerly of one Felch; thence westerly on land of said Felch eighty (80) feet to a hub; thence northerly by land now or formerly of Cyrus P. Barclay seventeen (17) feet two (2) inches to a stone bound at land of said Taylor; thence easterly on said Taylor land eighty-seven (87) feet and six (6) inches more or less to the point of beginning. No fence shall ever be erected upon the southerly side of the premises over four feet high extending back sixty feet from said Barclay street. Being the same premises to said Tom K. Watson conveyed by Lucinda A. Russell by deed dated August 1, 1907, and recorded in said Registry, Book 407, Page 323.

The above described premises will be sold and conveyed subject to any and all unpaid taxes, municipal or other assessments and tax sales which may be due or to become due thereon. The purchaser will be required to pay $50 in cash at the time and place of sale and the balance in ten days from the day of sale at 12 o'clock noon.

WALTER H. BLAISDELL,
Assignee and present holder of said mortgage.

d14,18,25.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Cyrus G. Hatch, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Harold A. Varnam, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-seventh day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d12-18-26

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Elizabeth N. [illegible], late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, John H. Fairbairn, the executor of the will of said deceased has presented for allowance, the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the [illegible] day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.

d7,11,18.

DECEMBER

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	7.22	[illegible]	[illegible]
6.47	[illegible]	[illegible]	8.17
[illegible]	7.58	7.13	8.24
6.57	[illegible]	7.45	[illegible]
7.21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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7.56	8.37	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	11.30	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	11.40	[illegible]

b Via Bedford. s Via Salem Jct. z Via Wilmington Jct. r not run on Holidays. h Saturdays only.

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.25	7.20	9.15	10.22
7.14	8.47	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	11.30	12.55
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3.42	4.41	6.04	7.05
[illegible]	6.44	6.40	7.57
7.07	[illegible]	[illegible]	11.14
10.15	[illegible]		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	[illegible]	8.45	9.47
7.21	[illegible]	9.30	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	11.05	[illegible]
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.39
[illegible]	11.17	5.30	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	7.15	8.25
[illegible]	[illegible]	8.00	8.38
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8.25	8.57	[illegible]	10.25
8.45	9.53	10.25	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.13
12.07	1.10	12.00	1.09
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5.45	7.06	5.20	6.36
[illegible]	10.04	8.15	9.47

KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

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7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the devisees under the will and all other persons interested in the estate of Nora Cunniffe, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased. Whereas Patrick J. Cunniffe, administrator with the will annexed of the estate not already administered of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of legacies and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-eighth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the estate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d16-18-25

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary E. Kelly, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Sarah A. Kelly, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of January, A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d16-18-25

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of William J. [illegible], late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, [illegible], administratrix of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court her petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County, on the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

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BOSTON POLICE STATION WRECKED BY DYNAMITE

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—An attempt to blow up police station 8, the quarters of the harbor police at Battery and Commercial streets, at 6.40 yesterday morning, wrought wholesale damage to surrounding dwellings and brought death close to the bedsides of scores of sleeping children, women and men in the populous tenements clustered 15 feet away, across Salutation street at the rear.

A dynamite bomb placed against the rear wall of the police station plowed a gaping hole bigger than a hogshead through four feet of solid masonry in that direction, and bombarded the slumbering tenants of the Latin quarter opposite with a shrapnel blast of broken bricks, shattered granite from the station's foundation, and hurtling scraps of iron and steel from the bomb itself.

Two suspects were arrested late last night in connection with the bombing. Their names were withheld until further investigation of their possible connection with the plot has been made.

The pair were taken into custody by Officer Ferrari of the Hanover street station, who had shadowed them for several hours. Information volunteered to the officer led to his shadowing them.

Whole Section Shaken

Like the discharge from the crater-mouth of a modern howitzer, the blast of stone and metal struck the brick walls of the dwellings across the narrow, alley-like street. The walls withstood the assault, but the missiles burst through the windows sweeping them clean of glass sash and curtains.

The terrific force of the explosion drove the old assortment of shrapnel upward through two ceilings and floors, through dozens of inhabited chambers and living rooms on first and second floors, before their course was spent in rooms on the third story.

Suspect I.W.W.'s Hand

Luckily, no one was killed, though several persons, police and civilians, were hurt—cut by showers of flying glass or other debris, or severely jolted by being hurled from their beds by the concussion, which was of almost earthquake proportions in the immediate vicinity.

The identity of the bombers is a mystery. Police suspicions, however, leaned toward I.W.W. sympathizers, because of recent clashes between police and friends of that organization in North square. Shots were exchanged and knives were used when the police dispersed an open-air meeting there a week or so ago. Since the rumors of threats against the police have reached their ears.

Saw Three Men Fleeing

The only clue to the perpetrators of the dynamiting is furnished by two women of the bombarded tenements who say that when they reached the street immediately after the explosion they saw the skulking forms of three men fleeing through the haze of smoke and flying debris in the direction of the waterfront.

To urge the search for the bombers, Mayor Curley last night offered a reward of $100 for their apprehension and conviction.

The evident attempt of someone to wreak vengeance on the police, miscarrying by a narrow margin, came even closer to causing wholesale deaths among the sleeping hundreds in nearby dwellings.

Scores of persons in an area for blocks around the scene of the explosion were hurled from their beds, showered and cut by the flying glass from shattered windows and other debris. Hundreds of people were sleeping in the danger zone.

Three harbor police officers, who were asleep on the second floor of the station house, directly above the spot where the bomb exploded, were thrown out of bed and cut by glass from the broken windows, while the officer in charge, Sergt. Abraham L. Killam, was knocked down. He fell into the chair by his desk, in which he was about to sit, and lay there dazed for several minutes. His three subordinates, asleep upstairs, were Officers Herbert L. Cross, Francis S. Duffin and John C. Williams. An unknown man crossing the street in front of the police station was knocked flat. It was several minutes before he revived and picked himself up.

Thought City Was Shelled

As soon as they could recover from their daze, the hundreds of rudely-awakened men and women, scantily clad, rushed from the tenements into the street, shouting and screaming. Children added their cries to the din.

Some thought an earthquake had shaken the city; others feared a big boiler explosion; some even shouted in their terror that a foreign foe was shelling Boston from the harbor. The streets were choked with the panic-stricken throng seeking safety.

Narrow escapes were reported on every side. In one tenement house, directly across Salutation street from the spot where the bomb exploded, a 4-year-old child, asleep in a crib in front of a window through which swept a portion of the blast, escaped unscathed. A 69-year-old widow was hurled from her bed to the floor of her chamber on the first floor of a house 100 feet away. She escaped serious injury.

It was an hour before the squads of police from station 5, who had rushed to the scene, were able to quiet the frightened multitude, and restore order so that the cause of the explosion could be investigated.

Felt in Charlestown

The bomb exploded at 6.40 o'clock, when the whole neighborhood was quiet. The report awakened sleepers even in Charlestown and East Boston. Those who heard it plainly describe it as a sharp, cracking noise, followed by a roar.

Then came the rattle and crash of the rent masonry, snow, ice, stones, iron and steel against the walls of surrounding buildings. Buildings shook on their foundations. The dwellings directly across Salutation street received the worst bombardment. A half dozen brick tenement houses there along a front of 60 feet got the centre of the blast. Windows were swept clear of glass and sash as the flying charge crashed through.

Fully a hundred sleepers on the two lower floors of these six houses were showered with missiles. Glass, rock and metal cut their faces and hands or bare feet as they were thrown out of beds to the floors. Dust filled their eyes and blinded them as they tried to scramble out to the street. Night lights had been blown out and they groped in darkness and dust for exits. Some did not wait to make their way to doors but leaped through the shattered windows to the street, bruising their bare feet and scantily clad limbs on the pavements.

Feared Another Explosion

It was some time before Sergeant Killam and his three officers recovered from their daze and rushed outside to check the panic, but officers from station 5, who had heard the report of the explosion, were quickly on the scene. Patrolman Timothy Murphy, an old Georgetown University football star, who was standing at the west end of Salutation street when the bomb exploded, was first on the scene, but Sergeant Cornelius Donovan, and other officers were soon there. They set to work roping off the danger zone and quieting the panic stricken tenants.

A pall of dust hung over the neighborhood for nearly a half hour in the dead morning air, making the work difficult. The officers proceeded with caution, fearing another explosion might occur. The injured were attended to as fast as possible.

One of the first to apply for first aid was Fiscalo Blondon of 39 Salutation street. His face was badly cut by a flying brick as he lay in bed in a chamber about 20 feet from the spot where the bomb exploded. His wife, lying at his side, escaped injury, but scores of others displayed cuts and lacerations received from jagged bits of granite, masonry and broken glass.

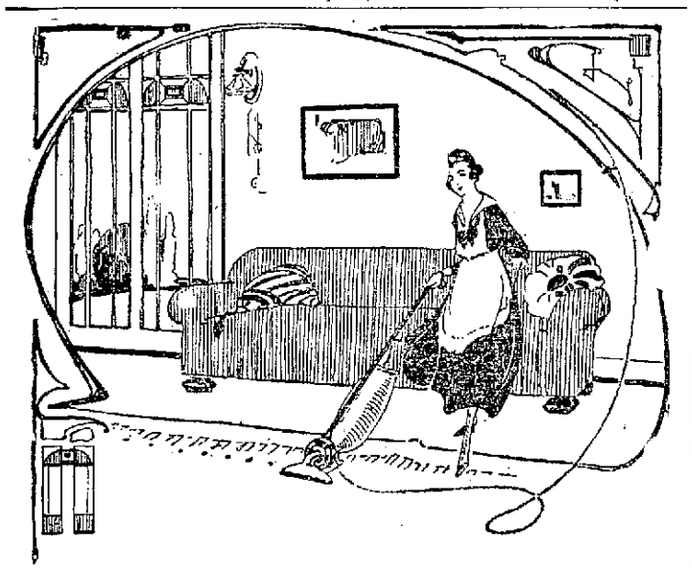
Examination of the damage by Capt. Daily and Lieut. Perry after the panic had been checked revealed a jagged hole piercing the wall of the police station near the southwest corner on Salutation street. The breach was three feet in diameter. Granite slabs of the foundation, three feet thick, and another foot of brick and mortar had been penetrated. The corner cell in the basement was filled to the street level with debris. Most of the windows in the building were shattered.

More than 1000 windows in surrounding buildings were broken. Outside walls on Salutation street were pitted with the marks of flying metal and rocks. Much of the furnishings in 25 tenement houses was wrecked.

EAGLES, NOTICE

The next regular meeting of Lowell Aerie will be held Monday evening, Dec. 18, 1916, in Eagles hall, at 7.45 o'clock. Per order

PATRICK J. McCANN, Worthy President.
JOHN M. HOGAN, Secretary.



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AN EARLY SELECTION IS WISE AND AVOIDS THE RUSH

GENERAL STRIKE TO PROTEST FOOD PRICES

MADRID via PARIS, Dec. 18.—A 24-hour general strike called by the labor organizations as a protest against the increased price of food takes place tomorrow throughout spain. Factories any many offices will be closed and no newspapers published. The authorites have posted notices appealing to the good sense of the public to maintain order and announcing that any disturbances would be vigorously dealt with.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS ON DECREASE

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Notwithstanding a very general impression that automobile accidents have increased very rapidly during the past year, Chairman Sohier of the Massachusetts highway commission declares that the number of fatal accidents occurring in this state has been less, in proportion to the number of cars registered, than it was during 1915. It should be borne in mind that this year the highway commissioners have registered more than one hundred thousand cars—an increase of more than twenty-five per cent. over 1915—yet in spite of this increase the fatal accidents are very few more than last year.

Another interesting fact is that in a majority of the fatal accident cases the evidence obtained by the commission and its investigators indicated that the automobile operator was not seriously at fault; that is, there was not sufficient blame attached to the operator as would warrant the commission in revoking his license.

Following each fatal accident in Massachusetts in which an automobile is involved, the commission sends out an investigator, who reports all the ascertainable facts. If the report indicates that the operator was in any degree at fault, the commission gives him an opportunity to appear before it and tell his story, the burden in every case being upon the operator to prove that he was blameless. As stated above, in a majority of the fatal cases the commission has been satisfied that the operator could not be charged with failure to exercise due care, and in a very large percentage of those in which blame was attached to the operator the commission found there was contributory negligence on the part of the victim.

As has been the case nearly every year since it was given jurisdiction over automobiles and operator, the Massachusetts commission has taken away more licenses this year than any other similar board in any state in the country; in fact, there are very few states which attempt to control automobile operation in any way other than by prosecution in the courts for improper driving. Even New York state has no statutory provision under which a reckless operator may be punished, and so long as he is not punished by the criminal courts he is not held accountable for his acts.

HOYT.

WOMEN'S SKIRTS TO BE SHORTER AND TIGHTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Women's skirts are to be shorter, and what is left will be more clinging than ever.

This is the edict of the designers' association, which held its fashion revue in the Lasalle Hotel, where 200 models paraded up and down the elevated platform, displaying the new garments.

Approximately three inches are to be lopped off the skirts, which will bring them perilously close to the knees of the women. The flares and wide tucks prevailing this season will be abandoned and the new skirts will cling very close. This leaves the women will wear even higher shoes than at present, right in the face of predictions that good shoes will cost $20 and $30 by next spring. Chicago women are now paying up to $14 and $25 for stylish shoes.

Evening gowns will be cut very low and will be practically skin tight; there will be plenty of color in garments of all kinds, even some of the filmy evening garments being constructed of iridescent hues and furnished with glittering gems and passementerie in new colors.

RADIUM NOT CANCER CURE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18. After exhaustive tests upon rats, mice and guinea pigs, the use of radium as a cure for cancer and tumors has been found to be a failure, according to the annual report of Dr. Francis Carter Wood, head of the Crocker cancer research fund of columbia university, made public last night.

For cases on which operation is not possible, radium is successful as a palliative only, the report states.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

WANT EXECUTIONS ALL OVER BY CHRISTMAS

CONDEMNED YOUTHS ASKED THAT DEATHS BE HASTENED—SEEK TO SPARE RELATIVES

SING SING, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Two youths sentenced to be executed at Sing Sing prison this week have voluntarily shortened their lives by at least three days, in order that the grief of their relatives may be dulled as much as possible by Christmas, it was announced here last night.

They are Stanley J. Millstein, 19 years old, of Utica, who killed a policeman, and Charles Kumrow, 26, who killed a tug boat captain in Buffalo. They were to have been sent to the chair Friday or Saturday.

The young men sent Father Cashin, the prison chaplain, to Warden Moyer, however, and requested that they be executed Tuesday. To this, it was said, the warden assented, it being discretionary with him under the sentence of the court which merely stipulated the week in which the condemned youths were to be put to death.

"If we are killed Friday or Saturday," they told him, "our bodies will get home about Christmas day. If we are executed on Tuesday, by Friday we will have been buried and by Christmas day our relatives will have pulled themselves together."

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HOLIDAY JOYS

Help to make this a useful Christmas. Give something that will lighten the labors of those you make glad. Something they will appreciate throughout the year.

Carving Sets, various designs.....$1.25 up
Sharpening Stones, all styles.....10c up
Food Choppers.....79c up
Kitchen Knives.....15c up
Pocket Knives, plain and fancy handles.....25c up
Shears and Scissors....15c up
Flash Lights, best make, 75c up
Watches.....$1.00 up
Lunch Boxes, with Vacuum Bottle.....$2.50
Razors, Common, Safety, 75c up
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CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS DEVOTIONS CLOSE

A pretty ceremony took place at the parish mass at St. Margaret's church yesterday, the occasion being the closing of the forty hours' devotions, which were started Friday morning. The service was largely attended and a special musical program was given by the choir. Rev. William H. O'Connell was the celebrant of the mass and present was Rev. C. J. Galligan, pastor. At the close of the mass a procession of the blessed sacrament took place, those participating being the clergy, altar boys and children of the parish.

St. Patrick's

The members of the Children of Mary sodality of St. Patrick's church received communion in a body at the 8.30 o'clock mass yesterday morning, the celebrant of the mass being Rev. Timothy P. Callahan. The parish mass was celebrated by Rev. James J. Kerrigan, while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. The pastor, Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien was the celebrant of the 7 o'clock mass.

Immaculate Conception

At the 7.30 o'clock mass at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday morning the members of the Third Order of St. Francis and the junior branch of the Children of Mary sodality received communion in a body. The celebrant was Rev. W. J. Stanton, O.M.I., and he was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O.M.I. The parish mass was celebrated by Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I., while the sermon was given by Rev Fr. Stanton, O.M.I.

St. Peter's

Rev. W. George Mullin was the celebrant of the 8.30 o'clock mass at St. Peter's church yesterday and at this mass the members of the Boys' sodality received communion in a body. Fr. Mullin was assisted in giving communion by Rev. P. L. Crayton. The celebrant of the parish mass was Rev. D. J. Heffernan, while Rev. Fr. Crayton delivered the sermon.

St. Michael's

The parish mass at St. Michael's church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. J. F. Lynch, while the sermon was given by Rev. Henry M. Tattan. The pastor, Rev. John J. Shaw, celebrated the 8 o'clock mass.

Sacred Heart

The monthly communion of the members of the Holy Angels sodality took place yesterday morning at the 8.30 o'clock mass at the Sacred Heart church, the celebrant of the mass being Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., pastor, and he was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Dennis J. Finnegan, O.M.I., while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O.M.I.

St. Columba's

Rev. P. J. Hally, pastor, celebrated the early masses at St. Columba's church yesterday and a feature of the 7 o'clock mass was the singing by the new children's choir. Rev. T. W. Buckley officiated at the parish mass and last evening at the vesper services a sermon was given by Rev. W. J. Stanton, O.M.I.

CUBA'S SUGAR YIELD BREAKS RECORD

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Cuba's sugar yield for 1916-1917 will be a record breaking one, according to cable advices received by the Federal Sugar Refining Co. The current crop will amount to 2,400,000 tons, as compared with 2,666,000 tons last year and 2,582,245 in the previous season, according to the messages. The large output is attributed largely to favorable weather.

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THE WEATHER

Snow, probably heavy, tonight and Tuesday; north to northeast winds.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FAVOR CITY ENGINEER'S FIRST STREET PLANS

The Middlesex county commissioners gave a very important hearing this morning at the court house at 10 o'clock on the apportionment of cost between the city and county for the construction of a new state boulevard from First street in Centralville to the Dracut line. Commissioner Erson B. Barlow presided in the absence of Commissioner Levi Gould, who was holding a hearing at Cambridge, and the county was also represented by Commissioner Albert L. Cutting and Engineer F. H. Kendall.

The city of Lowell was represented by City Engineer Stephen Kearney, who stated at the outset that the may-

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CITY COUNCIL HELD BRIEF MEETING

A five-minute special meeting was held by the municipal council this morning with all members present but Commissioner Duncan. The mayor called to order at 11 o'clock and little business was transacted.

Mayor O'Donnell read a communication from the secretary of state in regards to the formation of the Lowell Suburban Dairy association, and the communication was referred to the mayor's department for investigation. The organizers of the association are as follows:

Walter S. Holden, Chelmsford; Chas. Inglis Wetmore, Chelmsford; Arthur Warren Fletcher, West Westford; Bertie A. Cluff, Dracut; Joseph P. Varnum, Collinsville; George F. Garland, Tewksbury; John R. Martin and son, Tewksbury; Robert C. Mills, Collinsville; Harry M. Fox, Dracut; French Eliot, Lowell; Martin Lane Kennelly, North Billerica; Melvin G. Rogers, Tewksbury; Frank E. Miller, Westford; Geo. J. Carlton, Pelham, N. H.; Samuel L. Taylor, Westford; William P. Poleck, Westford; Arthur H. Jones, Pelham, N. H.; Arthur .. Hall, Dunstable; Fred P. Nickles, Carlisle; Edward A. Spaulding, Hudson, N. H.; Arthur H. Burnham, Westford; Alexis F. Fecteau, Lowell; Adie H. Fecteau, Chelmsford Centre; William C. Tucker, Chelmsford; Albert N. Fox, Lowell; Emile E. Paignon, So. Chelmsford; Murray H. Pratt, South Chelmsford; Arthur W. Crosby, Lowell; William Z. Dupee, South Chelmsford; Edgar B. Laphan, South Chelmsford; Harry M. Parker, Lowell.

Commissioner Donnelly was granted permission to spend the sum of $161.40 for gaslight fixtures at the Varnum school.

Commissioner Morse asked the council to purchase a new steam roller for the street department. He said the two rollers owned by the city have seen better days and if an order for a new one is sent in before the first of January the city can save at least $500.

"What will the roller cost?" asked the mayor.

"Four thousand dollars," was the reply.

"Will your appropriation allow it?" asked the mayor.

"No, sir," replied Mr. Morse.

Mayor: "Well, then, there is no use of ris cussing this question, let the matter go over until next year."

Mr. Morse: "I can get the money by making some transfers."

Mayor: "When you are ready, come forward with your proposition."

At this point the meeting adjourned until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

MAN ARRESTED WHILE HAVING SNOW FEED

Standing on the sidewalk eating snow during the snowstorm at one o'clock Saturday morning, Napoleon Charest was detected by Patrolmen Michael Connolly and Goggin and taken to the police station for drunkenness. In police court today he pleaded not guilty in spite of the testimony of the officers that they were asked to take care of him for fear that he would suffer from the severe storm. Charest, who is a tailor, said that he worked until 11.30 o'clock and was en-

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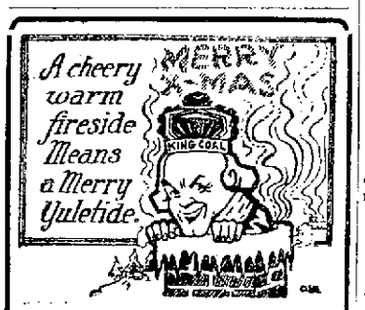
The night conference for Evening School Teachers will be held at the Lowell Normal School, this evening, Dec. 18, 1916



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THE TEST

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When may we expect your test?

FISHING SCHOONER CONDEMNED

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 18.—The Boston fishing schooner John J. Fallon was condemned and ordered sold by the admiralty court here today, for violation of the Canadian fishery regulations. It was charged that the Fallon fished within the three-mile limit of territorial waters near St. Paul's, Cape Breton.

1917

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Taken on Verdun Front Since Dec. 15—German Counter Attack

German Headquarters Reports No Change in Rumanian Front

On the Franco-Belgian front, Paris announces a strong counter attack by the Germans on the position won by the French in their recent sweeping advance north and northeast of Verdun. The only success of the attacking forces, however, according to Paris, was at one point on the Chambrettes farm about a mile and a quar-

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ENGLAND GETS PEACE NOTE

Proposals of Central Allies Handed to British Government

Document Presented to Lord Robert Cecil by Ambassador Page

LONDON, Dec. 18, 12.20 p. m.—The peace note of the central powers was handed to the British government today by Walter H. Page, the American ambassador.

Mr. Page called at the foreign office early in the day and in the absence of

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HER MEDICINE DIDN'T CURE

And Anyway Mrs. Aggott Practiced Without Authority

Interesting Case Heard in Judge Enright's Court Today

Mrs. Annie Aggott of Gould st., West Roxbury, manufacturer of a liquid advertised to cure tuberculosis, skin and scalp diseases, pains, burns and all external troubles, was found guilty by Judge Enright in the local police court today of practising medicine without authority and was ordered to pay a fine of $100. Through her counsel,

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SUIT AGAINST B. & M. R. R. FOR SUM OF $15,000 ON TRIAL TODAY

At the civil session of the superior court in the court house, Gorham street, this morning, the case of "Moynihan vs. Boston & Maine railroad" was being tried before Judge Patrick Keating. It is a suit to recover damages for the death of Jeremiah Moynihan, a section foreman of the railroad who was killed in the Western avenue freight yard, June 2, 1916, and has been brought by Catherine Moynihan, widow of the deceased. The ad damnum is $15,000 and the case is being tried under the Interstate Commerce act. Trull and Weir and John M. O'Donoghue appeared for the railroad and James J. Kerwin and James C. Reilly appeared for Mrs. Moynihan. Among the witnesses called by the plaintiff this morning were Peter Bagley, brakeman; Patrick Burke, yardmaster, and Albert A. Decker, yard brakeman.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The defense, outlining its case at the afternoon session contended that the deceased had left the employ of the road prior to the accident, owing to unpleasantness arising from a strike, and at the time of the fatal accident in the Western avenue yards was trespassing on Boston & Maine property.

The first witness called was G. M. Woodman, track supervisor who testified that the evening before the accident, four trackmen, including Jeremiah Moynihan, came to his office and declared that they would leave work, owing to interference by strikers. He said that Moynihan came also to the office on Friday morning at 6.30 and after mentioning other strike conditions said that he was going to look for a job somewhere else. Cross-questioned by Lawyer Kerwin, Mr. Woodman testified to a defect in the School street switch and also stated that a written report of the accident had been made to him.

George H. Marshall, general yard foreman, was called and corroborated the testimony of Mr. Woodman. He told of the time allowed the men for their work on Sunday, May 28, and said that Mr. Woodman had told him to allow the time to the deceased. He was questioned at length by Mr. Kerwin as to the time he made the entries in the time book and in the pay sheet. He said that the Sunday time was put on the book on Monday when he was told to allow three hours by Mr. Woodman.

Daniel H. Lynch, section foreman, testified briefly to the visit paid Mr. Woodman's office when the men decided to give up their work, and John Tierney, assistant foreman, gave testimony along the same lines.

MAJ. GEN. SCOTT WANTS ARMY OF 3,000,000 MEN

Chief of Staff of United States Army Recommends That Volunteer System Be Discarded and Urges Universal Liability to Military Training and Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Maj. Gen. Scott, chief of staff of the army told the senate military committee today that the army general staff, recommended without apology, that the volunteer system be discarded because "the time has come when this country, unless it intends to avoid 'war at any cost' must resort to universal liability to military and service.

Arraigning the volunteer system as extravagant, inefficient and dangerous, the chief of staff told the committee that universal training would be democratic, reliable, efficient and economical and in a few years render the United States immune from attack.

Ready For War Before War Comes

"It would be democratic," he said, "because the burden of national defense would fall equally upon all citizens. It would make it impossible for any man or group of men to trade upon the nation's necessities in time of war. The system would be reliable because it would produce each year the number of men necessary to be trained. It would be economical because it would be based upon recognition by the people of the duty of the individual to render personal service and in carrying it into effect the government would not have to compete in the labor market. It would be efficient because it would enable us to prepare adequately for war before war comes."

At the outset Gen. Scott pointed out that the Mexican crisis had failed to recruit many National Guard organizations even to their minimum peace strength.

Volunteer System Failure

"The failure should make the whole people realize that the volunteer system does not and probably will not give us either the men we need in peace or for service in war," said he. Reviewing the intensive training which

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CANDIDATES FOR CITY HALL JOBS NUMEROUS

There is great speculation at city hall as to what the new council will do in the line of "city hall jobs" after the first of the year. It was stated this morning that there are candidates for about every job in the building and that important shifts are likely to be made. The belief still exists that the combination for 1917 will be Brown, Morse and Warnock.

It was stated this morning that William D. Regan, Esq. has three votes for city solicitor to replace Solicitor Varnum, while for the position of inspector of buildings, now held by Francis A. Connor, there are three candidates, namely, Michael A. Lee, business agent for the Carpenters' union; Joseph Harvey, a local plumber and William J. Garsan, an inspector of concrete on the Pawtucket bridge. Joseph Whitely, it is said, is a candidate for the board of health, while Clinton P. Tuttle is out for the position of assessor.

One of the officials at city hall stated this morning that there is no tenure of office for all of the above mentioned postions, and the holders of the positions can be removed at the will of the council.

School Vacation

The public schools of Lowell will close Friday of this week for the annual Christmas vacation and will reopen on the Tuesday following New Year's day.

Supt. Molloy of the school department stated this morning he has not heard a thing about a demand for an increase in salary for the teachers of the primary grades. He said the minimum pay for the primary grade teachers is $500, although there is not one teacher getting less than $550, while the maximum is $800 per annum. The inauguration exercises for the school board will be held on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 2, the hour to be set later.

YOUNG ZULU KID KNOCKED OUT BY JIMMY WILDE

LONDON, Dec. 18—Jimmy Wilde, flyweight champion of England, knocked out Frankie Di Melfi, known as "Young Zulu Kid," of Brooklyn, N. Y., in the 11th round of their match today.

MAN INJURED

The ambulance was summoned to the plant of the Lowell Rendering Co. in South Lowell at 3 o'clock this afternoon and after a long run through heavy drifts of snow removed a man to St. John's hospital in this city, but at the time of going to press the extent of his injuries had not been learned.

One of the employes at the South Lowell plant stated to a representative of The Sun that the man was not an employe of the company, but had been seeking work. Other than that there was no more information forthcoming.

REPRESENTS ARGENTINE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The Argentine republic is to be represented in western America for the first time by a consul general, who in the person of Horacio Rossi Caceras, who established headquarters here today. Heretofore the interests of the republic were cared for by an acting consul. The jurisdiction of the consul general will include 11 western states.

Senor Cameras announced that he was desirous of promoting trade between his country and the United States.

$20,000 LOSS BY FIRE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Destruction by fire of a two-story frame building at the American naval station at Olongapo, P. I., containing the offices of the engineering, hull and accounting divisions, is reported in a cablegram from the commandant of the station. Total loss is given at $20,000. There was no loss of life.

X-RAY EXPERT DEAD

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Dr. Walter J. Dodd, for many years in charge of X-ray work at the Massachusetts General hospital, died at his home today. He had undergone numerous operations made necessary by the effects of the ray, and associates attributed his death to this cause. Dr. Dodd was 47 years of age.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN JOINT COMMISSION

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—Indications at the close of the morning session of the Mexican-American commission were that Gen. Carranza was not disposed to close the door against an agreement with the American representatives who have been trying for more than three months to solve questions at issue between Mexico and the United States. When the commission reconvened today after a three weeks' recess, Alberto J. Pani reported the results of his visit to Queretaro. The report was made verbaily and was received by the Americans without comment. An adjournment until later in the day was taken, when it is expected the details of his written message from Mexico will be discussed.

The exact character of the report was not revealed but it was learned that while Carranza had not signed the protocol drafted at Atlantic City this was not necessarily to be taken as an indication that it would not be ratified later, the signature being perhaps that of Ambassador-designate Arredondo, who is qualified and authorized by the Mexican executive to sign such a document.

It was understood that Mr. Pani's message was not signed by Carranza but was in the form of a communication from the Mexican commissioners, authorized by the main executive and calculated to be an answer to the statement of Secretary Lane, chairman of the American commission, made on the last day of the conferences at Atlantic City.

MAN, WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN PERISHED

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 18.—Roy A. White of Bayles, Cal., his wife and four children lost their lives today in a fire that destroyed the Interocean hotel here. The bodies of Mrs. White and two sons were found in the ruins. A nine-months'-old baby, rescued by firemen, died from burns. Firemen searched the smouldering ruins for the body of the fourth child. White was electrocuted when he fell among electric wires after leaping from the third floor.

STORM CUTS DOWN THE PRODUCTION OF SISAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—One of the worst storms in the history of Yucatan, Mexico, cut down the production of sisal so that receipts of the product at Progreso during November were 45.7 per cent. below normal, according to information received here by the Sisal Regulating commission and made public today.

The property damage was extensive and numbers of American vessels were among the thirty-one sisal carrying ships destroyed or damaged, the statement said. The service of 20,000 laborers are urgently needed to repair injury to crops.

FEDERAL INQUIRY

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 18.—The federal grand jury was to convene here today to begin investigation of high food and fuel prices in this vicinity and car shortages, principally with a view to determining whether illegal combinations and conspiracies exists to force up prices of necessities.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 18. Lloyds reports the sinking of the British steamship Westminster.

The vessel referred to probably is the 4324 ton steamship of that name built in 1905 and owned in London. There is also a British steamship Westminster of 252 tons owned in Grimsby.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

BULGARIANS PRAISED FOR SUCCESS IN RUMANIA

BERLIN, Dec. 18, by wireless to Sayville.—In a special order the commander-in-chief of the Bulgarian army expresses thanks to the officers and soldiers of that army for their recent victories in which more than 120,000 Rumanians, the order states, have been taken prisoners and 3,000 cannon captured. The order adds:

"The almost complete wiping out of the Rumanian army and the virtual extinction of Rumania, which now seems probable and through which Bulgaria now is given satisfaction for her sufferings of three years ago, have caused this victory to occasion unusual rejoicing. Everywhere in our country divine services were held and demonstrations of joy by the populace occurred in the streets in celebration of our triumph in this notable victory."

QUIET ON WESTERN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 18, by wireless to Sayville.—Aside from minor activities in the Somme and Meuse sectors there were no important happenings on the western front, army headquarters announced today.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT TO 4000

GARY, W. Va., Dec. 18.—The United States Coal and Coke Co., a subsidiary of the United States Steel Co., announced today that it would give its 4000 employes a Christmas present in the form of a 10 per cent increase in wages. The increase will become effective at once.

La Baronne Huard
(Frances Wilson)
Will Give an
Illustrated Lecture
On Her Experiences in the French War Zone
AT COLONIAL HALL
Monday Evening Dec. 18th
At 7:45
ADMISSION FREE

LOWELL PASTOR TALKS ON SUNDAY'S HELL

At the First Baptist church Sunday evening, the pastor, Rev. A. C. Archibald, preached the third of a series of "Billy" Sunday sermons. "Is Billy Sunday's Hell Found in the Bible?" was his topic.

"Sunday has been ridiculed because of his idea of hell," said Mr. Archibald, "but we must remember that he sticks to the Scriptures in all of his preaching. As you know, there is a great desire in many churches to get rid of the hell idea, and in many churches the word is not even mentioned. Sunday dares to preach hell but he does not preach a literal hell fire. Modern evangelists believe that hell is the burning of the conscience, and is even worse than the literal physical burning can possibly be. The suffering of conscience is the worst possible suffering. The conscience may slumber, but it never dies. Sin spells hell in this world and in the next."

Held Union Service

At the union service of the Eliot and High Street Congregational, First Universalist and First Unitarian churches, held last evening at the Eliot church, Rev. A. C. Ferrin was the preacher, having for his topic, "The Worth-While of Christian Discipleship."

Fraternity Service

An anniversary service in honor of the Men's Fraternity was held yesterday morning at the First Congregational church, and was attended by the members of the fraternity in a body. The pastor, Rev. E. H. Newcomb, took for his sermon topic, "Strong Men," and outlined the history and careers of certain men of this type.

Probably 70 members of the fraternity were present and these gathered, previous to the service, in the vestry of the church and marched into the auditorium. Mr. Newcomb, in his introductory remarks, complimented the members for the success which has attended their organization and stated that he believed it to be unique in having met regularly for a period of 10 years. In speaking of strong men, the pastor called to mind numerous biblical and historical characters who, by their strength of character and determination of purpose, had been prominently identified with the affairs of their day.

TO FIND RELIEF FOR PRINT PAPER SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Efforts to find relief for the news print paper shortage and prevailing high prices were continued here today by the federal trade commission in conference with committees of newspaper publishers, news print manufacturers and paper jobbers. A plan that was discussed proposes that publishers of the larger newspapers reduce their purchases next year by 5 per cent so the smaller papers may receive more of the supply.

Questionaires were sent today to large publishers to ascertain if they would subscribe to this plan, relinquishing 5 per cent of their 1917 contracted supply and to small publishers to learn their 1917 needs. At the same time the manufacturers' committee was trying to learn the exact amount of paper stock on hand in the United States and the amount that will be manufactured for next year's needs.

The larger publishers are not well satisfied with the plan proposed, contending it forces them to make sacrifices to supply the small publishers when the manufacturers could solve the whole problem readily by diverting to news print manufacture paper making machines now working on wrapping paper.

SUCCESSFUL AUTO SHOW

The automobiles exhibited in the four days' automobile show at the Lowell armory last week were all returned to headquarters yesterday. The managers reported that in spite of the weather Friday, which was Society day, the show was a decisive success. In fact, some of the dealers secured so many prospects in Lowell that they favored continuing the show three days, but it was found that it would take some time to secure permission from the adjutant general's office.

WANTED SHOEMAKERS

And girls to learn, paid while learning. Can earn $10 to $12 week. Apply American Rubber Co., East Cambridge, Mass.

The night conference for Evening School Teachers will be held at the Lowell Normal School, this evening, Dec. 18, 1916

ARMY OF 3,000,000

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European and other nations require, he declared that if American troops ever were to compete with highly trained and splendidly disciplined forces they would require training and discipline at least equal to that of their opponents.

The lessons of the European war, the general said, had demonstrated that a higher standard of training and discipline were required than was popularly considered necessary before and that most of the European nations for that reason found they could not develop them in less than two years with the colors.

"It should be obvious," said he, "that 192 hours' training prescribed for the National Guard is utterly inadequate to prepare this force for war service."

For Army of 3,000,000

For war with a first class power the general staff had previously estimated that 500,000 fully equipped troops should be ready at the outbreak and that 500,000 more should be available in 90 days. In view of the lessons of the war the general was now of the opinion that these numbers should be tripled and that 1,500,000 fully equipped and ready troops should be available with another 1,500,000 to follow in 90 days.

"This is due," said he, "to the fact that one of the powers involved in the war and whose territory extends the whole length of our northern frontier has increased its army from a relatively small force to a strength approximating that of the other great European powers. Due to the fact that our northern neighbor is largely an island empire a great portion of any trained force it may possess can be spared for use in a distant theatre of operations because the control of the sea gives it practical immunity from invasion where troops would have to be transported across the sea.

"It should be pointed out also that our northern neighbor is in alliance with a powerful Oriental nation—another island empire—and for the same reason when acting in alliance with a power which has control of the sea, has ability to send its army of 2,225,000 men to any part of the world without danger of invasion.

Are Practically Defenceless

"I think a mere statement of these facts makes it clear that at present we are practically defenceless before the veteran armies of our northern neighbors and could easily be crushed by the existing coalition of the island empires.

"I have said enough, by way of illustration only, to make it clear that if we are menaced by one of these powers alone, having lost control of the sea, we should need more troops for defensive purposes than have entered into the popular conception of our military problems heretofore.

"A factor which has in the past played a part in protecting us from recent aggression by any of the great nations of Europe in spite of our comparatively defenseless condition, was the so-called balance of power. When the European war is over there will still be two groups of powers which will permit the superior group to hold the inferior group in the balance with only a portion of its force and will enable it to hold the remainder ready for action outside of Europe. It is manifest that if a coalition of the great powers, as they existed on Aug. 1, 1914, were to make war on us we could have been invaded by very large forces within about one month from the declaration of war.

"While a war waged against us by an alliance may in the future be a possibility, it is not a probability and it is believed that if we provide an adequate army to defend the country against any single nation the probability of a war between the United States and a coalition of powers will grow even more remote."

Universal Training

After having discussed reasons why the general staff believes 12 months' intensive training is the minimum to prepare troops for war, Gen. Scott stated at length why the staff recommended that no further reliance be placed on the volunteer system and urged universal liability to military training and service. Of all the nations of the world, he said, the United States and China alone relied on volunteers to defend their national existence. He recounted the failures of the volunteer system in the revolutionary war, the war of 1812 and how it failed both the confederacy and the Union in the Civil war.

"The system is inefficient," he said, "because under it we must wait for war to come before preparing our defense. We must wait for an emergency before beginning to raise, train and equip the vast armies which war with any first class power or coalition would render necessary.

"A nation that is so short-sighted with respect to its man-power cannot be expected to look far into the future with respect to munitions and supplies.

"If universal liability to military training and service were ordained it will mean only that the people as a whole through their representatives recognized the duty of the individual to prepare him to defend his country and to defend it in case of need."

Opposed to Bill

Representatives of organizations opposed to the bill were headed by Walter L. Fisher, former secretary of the interior, who declared himself in favor of adequate preparedness.

"I believe," he said, "there is no higher duty than to provide for adequate military preparedness. But there is a radical difference between a military policy for defense and aggressive policy. If we are going to defend the Monroe doctrine in its broadest sense we are embarking on a military impossibility."

To provide a first line of defense, Mr. Fisher suggested that the pay of the army be doubled, that civic training which would fit the men for civil life be made compulsory and that as rapidly as they could be trained men be discharged into a citizen reserve, liable for duty in war.

"The plan proposed here is to adopt universal training for the sake of its civic by-product, for it is argued that universal training will give greater civic efficiency. Why not turn this right around? If you'll adopt the civic discipline for the sake of its military by-product, you'll carry the country and you can't carry it otherwise."

DEATHS

BICKFORD—Mrs. Fannie H. Bickford died Saturday in Bridgeford, Conn., aged 63 years. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the rooms of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck, this city, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. A. C. Ferrin, pastor of the High Street Congregational church conducted the services. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. Charles S., Herbert E., Charles A. and Arthur P. Hadley.

FELDMAN—Mrs. Morris Feldman, aged 38 years, died Saturday evening at the Lowell hospital. She leaves her husband and two daughters. The body was removed to her home, 127 Chelmsford street.

MANSELL—Leo Arthur Mansell died yesterday at 66 A street, aged 45 years. He leaves his wife, Elizabeth H., and two sons Leo A. and Raymond H. Mansell.

BLOCK—David E. Block died Saturday at the Coram House, aged 42 years. He lived at 15 Holden street. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Emily R. Block; his mother, Mrs. Maurice Block; a brother, Herman W., and a sister, Mrs. Nathan Desbecker. Yesterday the body was taken to Buffalo, N. Y., where funeral services and burial were held at the Forest Lawn cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. Wm. Jones, W. F. Lane, H. E. Pryor and M. L. Kirkeby. The arrangements were in charge of Albert H. Bixby, under the direction of Undertaker George W. Healey.

FUNERALS

FELDMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Morris Feldman took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the home, 127 Chelmsford street. Burial was in the Hebrew cemetery, Pelham, N. H., under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

HARDING—The funeral of Mrs. Abby Harding was held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edith M. Dougherty, 64 Nichols street, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Alfred C. Skinger, D.D., pastor of St. Paul's M.E. church. The bearers were Messrs. Eugene C. Dunbar, Edgar Dougherty, Herbert Dyer and Edgar Parker. Burial took place today in the family lot in the Mount Peak cemetery at Waltham. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Mr. Eugene C. Dunbar, under the direction of Undertaker Geo. W. Healey.

DALY—The funeral of Madeline Daly was held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from her home, 217 Dutton street. The bearers were Messrs. Frank McGrail, George Nevins, Frank Dacey, William Hickey, James Foster and Harold Wright. Among the floral offerings were: Pillow inscribed, "Asleep," employes of Massachusetts cloth room; and pieces from Ora Macklin, friends, Patrick Nealon and Sadie Delaney. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. J. A. Curtin of St. Patrick's church. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

THORNLEY—The funeral of Edith Thornley took place Saturday afternoon from her home, 88 Fulton street. Rev. William J. English, Jr., pastor of the Kirk Street Congregational church, officiated and Mrs. W. G. Spence sang "Peace, Perfect Peace" and "Abide With Me." There were many floral offerings including the following: Pillow in scribed "Our Edith; Peace Perfect Peace," the family; wreath inscribed "Some Day We'll Understand," sister Isabella and family; wreath inscribed "Thy Will Be Done," sister Ethel and family; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Wood and Mrs. Leveque. Burial took place in the Westlawn cemetery. Undertaker George M. Eastman was in charge of the arrangements.

FUNERAL NOTICE

BOWERS—The funeral of Edward M. Bowers will take place tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock from his home, 72 West Sixth street. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

ENGLAND GETS NOTE

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A. J. Balfour, the foreign secretary, has presented the note to Lord Robert Cecill, under-secretary for foreign affairs.

COMMENT ON NOTE

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Westminster Gazette, which all along has held strongly to the opinion that the German peace proposal should receive a serious reply, commenting today on the statement that the note contains no terms, says:

"If the German note contains no details and is merely a repetition of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the reichstag, the prospect of any immediate result is exceedingly slight."

LADY LOOKABOUT

It is a pretty act of thoughtfulness on the part of the Boston Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, to have a Christmas tree for the horses of the city. It is to stand in Postoffice square, and is to be laden with carrots, lumps of sugar, apples, and other delicacies sweet to the equine palate. For some years it has been the custom at many homes and several schools to have a Christmas tree for the birds. Children delight in feeding the birds which are sure to come in flocks just as soon as the news of the tree spreads among them. I have yet to hear of a Christmas tree for the horses. Why not think it over, Mr. Kernan? Are not you the deus ex machina of Christmas trees?

Christmas Gifts

Christmas is with us again and never were more alluring gifts shown. Also the same old trashy stuff of colored celluloid, tinsel and cheap ribbons or lace. It is time for the public benefactors who instituted the sane Fourth of July, to turn their energies toward a sane Christmas. Who among us has not in his or her possession, stored away awaiting goodness knows what, some of the most impossible merchandise, knick-knacks, for the most part? Now it is all very lovely to consider the thought rather than the gift, but when the gift takes the form of—I hardly dare to name it—a wobbly box of painted celluloid tied at the corners with wobbly ribbon, let us say, can you grow poetical over the thought that prompted it? Positively there is no excuse for such an atrocity, yet it always has existed, and always shall, I guess.

Turned Down a Gift

I have just been transported back to the grewsome old days of New England. Hawthorne tells us about in his "Mosses From An Old Manse," by reading a bit of news from Newburyport.

The trustees of the library of that city have just refused a bequest of $15,000 for a new library, because the donor stipulated that the library be kept open Sundays.

Can you not see then—those patriarchs of a decadent port—gathering in solemn conclave and refusing a gift to the city, to the present generation, to the future generations, to the boys and girls of today and tomorrow—patriarchs trying for a while longer to keep alive the traditions of their forbears. The pity of it is that there was no one to interfere with the old fogies.

First Coasting Accident

Already, with the first snow of the season still fresh on the ground, a coasting fatality is reported from this state. A little girl coasted headlong into an auto truck. Lowell offers many enticing hills for juvenile coasters, but unfortunately all, or nearly all of them slope to a highway, and every time a youngster comes down the hill he literally takes his life in his hands. The miracle is that there are not more fatalities. Another miracle is that teamsters, auto-drivers, motormen and cyclists do not all have nervous prostration from the narrow escapes they witness. Truly there is a providence which watches over these children, for the rapidity with which they approach a vehicle does not give time even to the most capable driver to do a thing to avert disaster, and it is unfair to judge them other than blameless when an accident occurs.

Disturbing Her Dreams

It was high time all good little girls were in bed when little tired Gretchel got on the car with her mother. I am not sure her name was Gretchel. Had she worn wooden sabots, I should have been sure, for she wore all the Goose-girl's things, except the boots. The mother carried a large loaf of bread in a paper bag. Soon Gretchel's head began to nod. Her eyes closed. Gretchel slept. Whack! The loaf of bread was swung against Gretchel's stomach. Gretchel started. Her eyes opened wide. She was awake and looking inquiringly at her mother. The mother offered no explanation. Gretchel decided that she had been dreaming. The little head began to nod again. Again the sleepy little eyes closed. Again Gretchel slept. Whack! Again the loaf of bread swung against her stomach. Again she awoke and looked about. Mother was near, so she knew she was safe. Again she dozed, and so on, for the performance was being repeated with the deadly monotony of an automaton when I finally left the car.

Revolving Door Incidents

She was a tiny miss and she demurred when her mother asked her to go into the postoffice with her, so the mother entered alone. When the revolving door closed on the mother the little girl began to scream. The mother, in one section of the door, stood still and beckoned, motioned, exhorted, and implored her daughter to enter the next section, but daughter preferred not to. Suddenly, the mother felt a violent shove from the door and, looking up, she saw a young man in the opposite section whom she had locked in when she stopped to remonstrate with the little girl. He had been there fully three minutes when she discovered him and, judging from his expression, his confinement was not pleasing.

I recall late one evening shortly after those revolving doors were installed, I started to enter, when the door suddenly stopped. In the section opposite mine, two men who found the close quarters unpleasant, even for the space of 30 seconds, had begun to pommel each other. I could not move the door. I was locked in, and I was terrified at the proximity of the affray. A crowd gathered, but no one seemed able to move the door. Had they not been drunken brawlers, the situation would have been most romantic for me. As it was, it was dreadful. They did not care where they hit each other. Finally, one of Lowell's "handsomest" appeared on the scene. He shoved his shoulder against the door. It refused to move. Then he bellowed like a giant, "Get up out of there." They knew their master's voice. Instantly, all half-nelsons and toe-holds were let go, and like two guilty schoolboys, they scrambled to their feet, and the door began to revolve. The terrified heroine, who was not the cause of all the trouble, was set free and escaped by trolley.

Johnnie Sat on a Nail

Two teachers returning from school were "talking shop," when one produced from her handbag the following note and asked me to read it, remarking that such an epistle made a bright spot in an otherwise commonplace day:

"Dear teacher, please excuse Johnny for being absent because we had to send his shoes to the gobbler's, and please teacher, will you change his seat. He has been sitting on a sharp nail all the year and all his pants are ripped."

The teacher told me she had examined Johnny's chair and, true enough, a nail protruded through the seat and for weeks had been doing damage to Johnny's person. Patience and long-suffering are Johnny's strong points, all right.

LADY LOOKABOUT.

SUN BREVITIES

Best printing; Tobin's, Asso. Bldg.

Auto supplies, Beharell, 23 Middle st.

Snow shovels and pushers at the Thompson Hardware Co.

Popcorn, all shelled. The Thompson Hardware Co. has it—6c pound.

Brass andirons and fireplace goods at the Thompson Hardware Co.

Christmas, Easter, wedding and birthday gifts. Etta M. Gilmore, 40 B st.

A pocket knife always makes a good present. The Thompson Hardware Co. has a fine assortment.

Carving sets. Nothing better for a fine present. The Thompson Hardware Co. can supply you.

Brass candlesticks are the thing this year. The Thompson Hardware Co. has a splendid assortment.

The salary of James P. Ramsay of this city, probation officer of the superior court of Middlesex county, was increased from $2200 to $2500 a year on Saturday last.

The name of Henry H. Wilder of this city will be presented for president of the Massachusetts Golf association by the nominating committee at a meeting to be held in Boston on Jan. 20.

James Martin, of Thorndike street, fell in Middlesex street about 10.45 o'clock Saturday evening and sustained an injury to his right knee. He was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hospital.

The British Social club conducted an excursion from this city to the Allied Bazaar in Boston Saturday. A special train left this city at 1 o'clock and arrived in the Hub in time to allow the Lowellites to attend the bazaar in the afternoon. They also spent the evening at the benefit show and returned at 10.15.

In the students products class at the dressed poultry show at the Massachusetts Agricultural college, held Saturday afternoon, O. S. Flint, '17, of Lowell, and J. J. Warren, '17, of North Brookfield tied for first place. E. C. Damon of North Andover was awarded the honor of having his name cut on the Bachelder & Snyder cup, which will be held by the department for 10 years. On the opposite side of the cup, the names of J. J. Warren and O. S. Flint were inscribed.

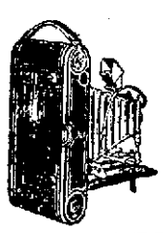
SANG CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The choir of the Swedish Lutheran church rendered last night Fred Holton's Christmas cantata, "Lord of All." The choir was led by Mr. F. E. Lindquist, and he deserves great credit for good leadership. Miss Florence Gilfuron served as pianist. Miss Gerda Nelson played the violin and Mr. Robert Berntson played the cornet. The church was well filled and the collection assigned to the choir was liberally and cheerfully given.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

President and Mrs. Wilson Celebrated First Anniversary of Their Marriage at White House Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President and Mrs. Wilson today celebrated the first anniversary of their marriage. A family party will be entertained at dinner at the White House tonight.



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SPECIAL FOR FOUR DAYS

(Mon., Tues., Wed. and Thurs.)

1916 Citron	19c lb.
1916 Orange Peel	16c lb.
1916 Lemon Peel	16c lb.
New Mixed Nuts	15c lb.
Salted Mixed Nuts	71c lb.
None Such Mince Meat	9c
Aunt Jane's Mince Meat	25c qt.
Large Howe Cranberries	10c qt.
Maraschino Cherries	9c 23c
Candied Cherries	49c lb.
Lean Beef, for Mince Meat	15c lb.

No Bones, No Waste)

Choice Veal Steak	29c lb.
Choice Pork Chops	21c lb.
Squire's Pork Sausage	19c lb.
Small Smoked Shoulders	18c lb.

Finest Elgin Butter	40c lb.
Choice Western Eggs	43c doz
Endives (in oil)	30c each
Caviar (imported)	55c each
Pineapple Cheese	48c each

Large Florida Oranges	29c doz
Heavy Florida Grapefruit	6 for 25c
Choice Assorted Cookies	25c lb.
Heinz Plum Pudding	15c 35c

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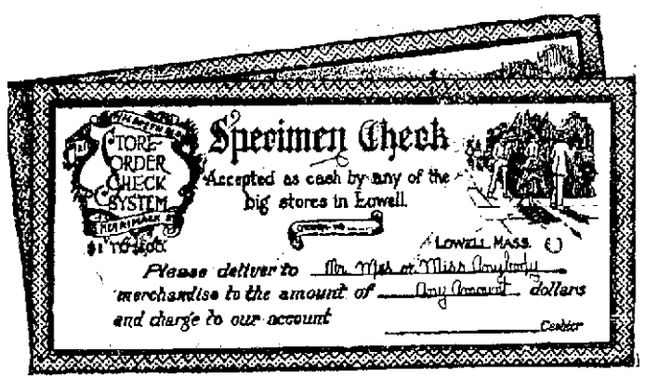

YOU CAN GRATIFY YOUR DESIRE FOR GIFT GIVING THIS SEASON

AND PAY US $1.00 A WEEK

Christmas time with its universal custom of gift giving frequently is a period which strains the resource of the average householder to the limit. There are seemingly endless lists of gifts to be purchased—gifts for the children—for parents—for friends. And there is usually an all too small amount of ready cash with which to buy.

If this is YOUR condition this year, why not do as thousands of other intelligent New England people are doing—buy what you want at the big stores with our famous Order Checks and pay for your purchases in small weekly amounts.

With Order Checks you can shop at all the leading stores whose combined stocks amount to millions of dollars and whose assortments are so great as to make selection a matter of simplicity.

A Few of the Many Desirable Gifts Purchasable With Our Order Check

Furs, Ladies' Fur Coats, Ladies' Suits, Millinery, Linens, Vacuum Cleaners, Ladies' Shoes, Perfumes, Ladies' Dresses, Ladies' Waists, Ladies' Hosiery, Ladies' Gloves, Men's Fur Coats, Men's Gloves, Overcoats, Bath Robes, Umbrellas, Hosiery, Men's Suits, Sporting Goods, Pictures, Art Embroideries, Laces, Negligees and Kimonos, Ribbons and Veilings, Towels and Blankets, Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Neckwear, Infants' Wear, Neckwear, Hats and Shoes, Underwear, Sweaters, Smokers' Articles, Diamonds, Watches, Manicure Sets, Carpets, Rugs, Pendants, Signet Rings, Military Sets, Cameras, Children's Clothing, Silverware, Furniture, Bracelets, Leather Goods, China and Glassware, Cuff Links, Toilet Sets, Fine Stationery, Phonographs, Books, Children's Toys, Hardware.

Remember, that in buying through us you are not subjected to embarrassment or loss of dignity. Our methods are acknowledged by all to be on the same high plane as the best retail establishments and our liberal treatment of our patrons is not approached by others.

When buying on credit, trade with the best. Write or phone and we will call at your home and arrange all details.

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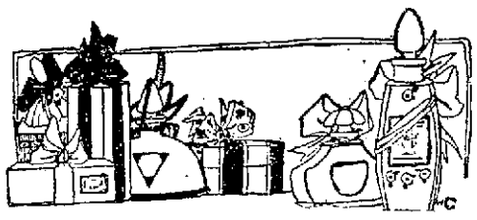

Toilet Articles for Gifts

The gift of Perfumes is as old as civilization. It was acceptable then and it will be acceptable now—Many choice gifts to be found in this selection NOW.

TOILET GOODS

Ivory Pyralin Mirrors .....$2.00 to $2.50
Ivory Pyralin Hair Brushes .....$1.00 to $4.50
Ivory Pyralin Combs .....50c and 75c
Ivory Pyralin Trays .....$1.25 to $2.00
Ivory Pyralin Puff Box .....75c to $1.50
Ivory Pyralin Hair Receivers .....75c to $1.50
Ivory Pyralin Cloth Brush $2.00
Ivory Pyralin Hat Brush $1.50
Ivory Pyralin Nail Polishers with Tray.....95c
Ivory Powder Boxes 50c
Ivory Pyralin Clocks .....$2.25 to $4.50
Ivory Pyralin Vases .....50c and 75c
Ivory Pyralin Jewel Boxes .....$1.25 to $2.50
Ivory Pyralin Hooks and Files .....35c and 50c
Hand Painted Brush, Curl and Mirror Sets to match your room, set $5.00
Wood Back Hair Brushes .....50c to $2.50

PERFUMES, TOILET WATERS, TALCUM POWDER AND SOAP

Williams' Holiday Package for Men and Women 50c and 75c
Colgate's Holiday Boxes .....25c to $3.00
Hudnut's Holiday Combinations $2.25
Mavis' Holiday Combinations $2.50
Colgate's Toilet Waters, in Christmas Boxes 25c to 75c
Hudnut's Toilet Waters in Christmas Boxes 75c to $1.50
Roger & Gallet Toilet Waters in Christmas Boxes, 90c to $1.50
Williams' Toilet Waters .....25c and 50c
Colgate's Perfumes in Christmas Boxes....25c to $2.00
Hudnut's Perfumes in Christmas Boxes..50c to $1.00
Imported Perfumes, box .....$1.25 to $6.15
Talcum Powders, bottle .....15c to $1.00
Fancy Soaps, cake .....10c to 50c
Sachets, in sealed bottles, bottle .....25c to 98c
Sachets, in bulk, oz. .....50c to $1.50
Roger & Gallet's Perfumes, in Christmas Boxes..$1.25

West Section — Right Aisle

Gloves as Gifts

Washable Strap Gloves, tan, ivory and white....$1.75
Women's Fancy Embroidered Kid Gloves, 1 clasp, white, white sewed black and black sewed white...$2.00
Women's Kid Gloves, 2 clasps, overseam, white, sewed black, black sewed white $1.75
Women's Clasp Mocha Gloves, gray and tan....$2.00
Women's Washable Cape Gloves, white, ivory, gray, champagne and mustard $1.65
Women's 2-clasp Kid Gloves, white, black or tan $1.25
Women's Washable Kid Gloves, white, champagne, tan and black sewed white $1.50
Women's 2-Clasp Kid Gloves, white, champagne, tan and ivory $1.25
Children's White Doeskin and Gray Mocha.....$1.25
Children's Lined Gloves, gray and tan $1.00
Children's Chamoisette Gloves, tan, navy, gray and white 59c
Children's Gauntlet Skating Gloves, all colors.....59c
Children's Woolen Gloves and Mittens 29c

If you prefer to have your friends select the color and size of their gloves you may give them glove certificates.

West Section — North Aisle

Winter Coatings

Just the gift for Mother or Sister to have a nice big heavy coat made for the cold days that are coming. Our selection is large and prices vary from, yard .....$1.50 to $5.00

Heavy Wool Plush in the new, rich, solid colors, 54 inches wide, yard $3.25

5 different patterns in Velour and Plush weaves, 54 inches wide, yard $3.00

15 pieces in plain and mixed weaves for Children's Coats, at, yard .....$1.50 and $2.00

Black Broadtail for trimming Muffs, Scarfs and Children's Coats, yard $3.50

Special Salt's Plush for your new Coat, a very high lustre and good rich black, 50 inches wide, yard, $5.00

Palmer Street — Right Aisle

Store Open Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday Evenings This Week.

Open Mornings at 9 O'Clock.

Something in This Gift Store for Everyone and not just anything. This Gift Store is one of discretion and in making selections from the markets of the country has taken great pains to provide only gifts that have the merit of real value, both artistically and practically.

LADIES' UMBRELLAS

The New Club Umbrella with the ivory tips and ring, the Fifth Avenue favorite, navy blue, green and plum. Priced $7.50 Each

Black Silk with solid gold tip on handle, fancy rosette to match cover. Priced at .....$9.50 Each

Sterling Silver Handles, with chain attached, black silk covering. Priced .....$10.50 Each

Sterling tipped and inlaid handles; these are all imported, the very finest black silk coverings. Priced $6.00 and $7.75 Each

Brown Silk Umbrellas, mounted with amber and brown handles, straight and crook, with fancy rosette to match covering. Priced $6, $7 and $7.50

Plaid Silk Umbrellas, with ivory tips. Priced.....$7.50
Black Silk Umbrellas, with ivory and amber handles. Priced .....$6.00, $7.00 and $7.50
Rain or Shine Umbrellas, with steel rods, in two shades of blue, green and black, curved handles. Priced at $5.50
Blue, Green, Red and Plum Silk Umbrellas, with all the new effects in handles.....$4.50 to $6.50

HAIR ORNAMENTS

Ask to see the new Comb, "The Barrientos," a Spanish Comb of distinction. The new style hairdressing demands the hair high upon the head: this means Fancy Combs, Fancy Pins, Hair Barrettes. We are showing a complete line of these goods which are on display in our front showcase, right aisle.

Combs, from.....50c to $10.00
Fancy Hair Pins.....50c to $4.00
Fancy Hair Barrettes..50c to $3.50
Aluminum Hair Barrettes, set with stones .....50c to $3.00
Aluminum Hair Pins, set with stones .....50c to $3.50
Aluminum Combs.....50c to $9.00

CANDLESTICKS AND ELECTRIC CANDLES

Candlesticks, white and brass finish .....50c to $1.00
Electric Candlesticks .....$1.00 to $2.00
Oil Lamps, brass finish, complete with shade.....$1.00
Fancy Candle Shades ..... 25c and 50c
Trump Stands 50c

West Section — Right Aisle

SILVERWARE

Silver Bud Vases .....50c and 75c Each
Silver Candlesticks .....50c, 75c and $1.50
Cheese Dishes $1.00
Relish Dishes $1.25
Horse Radish Jars 50c
Individual Salt Sets 50c
Mustard Pots .....25c and 50c
Cream Pitchers 50c
Marmalade or Jelly Jars..... 50c

Bottle Openers ..... 75c and $1.00
Babies' Sets .....75c to $1.00
Cheese Knives ..... 75c and $1.00
Cold Meat Forks, large and small.....75c to $1.25
Tatting Shuttles .....50c to 75c
Pocket Tooth Brush Holders ..... 75c and $1.00
Crochet Ball Holders $1.25
Picture Frames .....25c to $4.50

West Section — Right Aisle

CUT GLASS

16 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, $5.50 and $9.00
14 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, $5.00 and $10.00
12 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, $5.00, $5.50 and $12.75
10 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases..$3.00 and $3.75
8 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Vases, six different styles $1.75
10 Inch Cut Glass and Etched Basket..... $9.00
Cut Glass Syrup Pitcher, with plated top, one that can be removed .....$1.75 Each
Cut Glass Water Jugs .....$3.75 to $11.25
Cut Glass Tumblers to match jug.....$3.50, Set of 6
Cut Glass Celery Trays .....$2.25 to $3.25
Cut Glass Olive Dishes .....$1.50 to $2.25
Cut Glass Loaf Sugar Trays..... $1.00

Cut Glass Creamers to match above trays.....$1.25
Cut Glass Sugar and Creamers.....$2.00 to $4.50 Set
Cut Glass Bon Bon Dishes .....$1.00 to $1.50
Cut Glass Nappies .....$2.25 to $4.50
Cut Glass Preserve Sets (7 pieces).....$11.75 Set
Cut Glass Spoon Trays .....$1.00 to $2.25
Cut Glass Covered Bon Bon Dish.....$3.50
Cut Glass Cologne Bottles .....$2.75 to $3.25
Cut Glass Puff Box $2.75
Cut Glass Hair Receiver $2.75
Mirrored Platteaus—
12 inch .....$1.25 and $1.75
14 inch .....$1.85 and $2.50

East Section — Right Aisle

STATIONERY

With the price of paper advancing rapidly we would suggest a gift of Stationery for the friend you are puzzled about.

One quire boxes, in pink, blue, buff, orchid and white, plain and fancy bordered, also plate marked. 50c, 75c, 85c and $1.00

Two quire boxes, white..... 50c

Colors .....85c to $2.50

Large fancy boxes, pink and white, $3.75 Box

Correspondence Cards, gilt edge and plain edge .....25c Box

Correspondence Cards, gilt edge and plain, white and colors....35c to 75c

Christmas Seals and Cards..10c Pkg.

Christmas Art Ribbon—holly, green and red .....10c Spool

East Section — North Aisle

LEATHER GOODS

Strap Books .....$1.00 to $8.50
Leather Bags.....$1.00 to $7.50
Week End Bags.....$6.00 to $10.00
Velvet Bags, plain and beaded, $3.00 to $11.00
Children's Bags 50c
Misses' Cases .....$1.50 to $3.00
Bill Folds .....$1.00 to $3.00

Men's Leather Belts with sterling silver buckles and sterling silver, gold plated .....$1.50 Each
Cigar Cases, holding 4 and 5 cigars, $1.00 and $2.00
Traveling Cases, men's and ladies', $5.50 to $14.00
Pint Cases for Thermos..$1.25 to $2.25

The Basement Bargain Department

Is a store in itself and it is offering as its share to the Christmas trade a large variety of useful articles that can be given as gifts. If you read over the following list you are sure to find something that you want to give to some one dear to you.

Bath Robes at.....$1.98 and $2.50
Silk Petticoats ..... $1.98 Each
Sateen Petticoats, black and colored....79c-98c
Flannelette Kimonas .....69c and 98c
Crepe Kimonos 98c
House Dresses .....98c and $1.25
White Aprons .....25c, 50c and 75c
Stitched Silk Vests..... 98c
Flannelette Night Gowns .....59c and 79c
Flannelette Petticoats.....39c and 50c
Allover Aprons 43c
Lady Dainty Aprons..... 54c
Ladies' Sweaters .....98c to $3.49
Corset Covers .....25c and 39c
Corset Covers in holly box 50c
Night Gowns .....49c, 59c and 79c
Night Gowns, in holly box $1.00
White Skirts .....49c, 59c and 79c
White Skirts, in holly box $1.00
White Skirts, in holly box $1.50
Envelope Chemise .....49c, 59c and 79c
Envelope Chemise, in holly box..... $1.00
Crepe de Chine Camisoles, in holly box...$1.00
Ladies' Shirt Waists, in holly box..... 95c
Ladies' Crepe de Chine Waists, in holly box, $1.98
Ladies' Tub Silk Waists, in holly box $1.98
Ladies' Jap Silk Waists, in holly box.....$1.98
Ladies' Silk Shirt Waists, in holly box....$1.50
Ladies' Underwear, from.....50c to $1.00 Set
Ladies' Hose .....12½c to 35c Pair
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box at...25c Box
Ladies' Handkerchiefs.....5c Each, 6 for 25c
Ladies' Wool Gloves .....45c Pair
Men's Raincoats .....$3.00 to $10.00
Men's Umbrellas 98c
Men's Sweaters .....98c to $3.50
Men's Shirts 50c

Men's Cotton Hose.....12½c to 25c
Men's Wool Hose .....12½c to 50c
Men's Lisle Hose 25c
Men's Silk Hose .....19c and 25c
Men's Arm Bands .....19c and 25c
Men's Arm Bands and Garters, in holly box, at .....25c Set
Men's Handkerchiefs, at .....5c and 10c
Men's Suspenders .....19c to 39c
Men's Hats .....98c to $2.00
Men's Caps .....25c to 83c
Men's Coats, blanket lined.....$2.50 to $3.50
Men's Corduroy Coats, sheepskin lined, ...$5.00 to $12.50
Men's Underwear .....75c to $1.50 Set
Men's Union Suits.....79c and 89c
Men's Pants .....$1.50 to $3.00

FOR THE BOYS

Boys' Russian Coats .....$1.98 to $6.98
Boys' Polo Coats .....$2.49 to $7.98
Boys' Mackinaw Coats.....$2.98 to $7.98
Boys' Norfolk Suits .....$1.98 to $7.98
Junior Norfolk Suits.....$1.98 to $4.98
Boys' Rubber Coats $2.50
Boys' Rubber Hats 50c
Boys' Wash Suits, from .....49c to $1.75
Boys' Blouses .....25c and 50c
Boys' Pants .....50c to $1.50
Boys' Caps .....25c to 45c
Boys' Hockey Caps .....25c and 48c
Boys' Underwear .....50c and $1.00 Set
Boys' Union Suits.....50c a Suit
Boys' Hose, cotton.....12½c and 17c Pair
Boys' Hose, woolen .....25c Pair
Boys' Sweaters .....59c to $2.00
Boys' Shirts 45c

FOR THE GIRLS

Girls' Rain Capes, at $1.50
Girls' Sweaters .....59c to $1.50
Girls' Flannelette Night Gowns..... 50c
Girls' Flannelette Skirts 25c
Girls' Bath Robes 98c
Girls' Dresses .....49c to 98c
Girls' Skating Caps 48c
Girls' Sets, scarfs and caps....$1.00 to $1.50 Set
Girls' Woolen Gloves 25c
Girls' Hose, cotton 12½c
Girls' Hose, woolen 25c
Girls' Underwear at.....40c and 50c a Set
Girls' Union Suits at .....45c a Suit
Girls' Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box.....25c Box
Girls' Handkerchiefs, initial, 5c Each, 6 for 25c
Girls' Plain and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 5c Each
Girls' Handkerchiefs .....2c Each
Girls' Hose Supporters .....10c Pair

FOR THE HOUSE

Bed Spreads .....$1.00 to $6.00
Cotton Puffs .....$1.25 to $4.50
Wool Puffs .....$4.00 to $17.00
Down Puffs .....$5.00 to $17.00
Cotton Blankets .....$1.00 to $3.50
Wool Blankets .....$2.98 to $22.00 Pair
Comfort Blankets .....$2.00 Each
Bath Robe Blankets.....$1.79, $2.50 and $3.00
Sheets .....49c to $1.19
Pillow Cases .....10c to 17c Each
Huck Towels .....10c to 50c
Turkish Towels .....10c to 39c
Table Covers, colored .....89c to $2.00
Mercerized Table Covers .....89c to $1.59
Mercerized Table Sets $2.00
Napkins, from .....50c to $1.50 Dozen
Mercerized Damask.....25c to 75c Yard

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LOWELL'S BIGGEST AND BEST CHRISTMAS STORE

BRASSIERES

FOR EVERY FIGURE AND OCCASION MAKE VERY GOOD GIFTS

In the great variety we carry you are sure of finding just what you are looking for whether it is plain or trimmed.

Bandeaux of silk and mesh, flesh and white, crepe de chine brassieres, lace trimmed, flesh and white. Hamburg trimmed, cross back and hook front. Prices,

50c to $3.50

West Section — Right Aisle

GIFTS FOR MEN

Wearables always the most acceptable. Here you find the largest selections and styles that are properly up-to-date, and our early buying assures you the most attractive values.

Pajamas for men and boys .....75c to $4.50
Night Shirts .....50c to $1.00
Union Suits .....79c to $3.50
Shirts and Drawers .....50c to $2.50
Negligee and Dress Shirts .....50c to $3.00
Gloves and Mittens .....10c to $5.00
Sweaters .....$2.00 to $7.50
Hosiery .....15c to $2.00
Neckwear .....25c to $1.00
Neck Scarfs .....50c to $8.00
Stick Pins and Links .....50c to $1.00

GLOVES AND MITTENS FOR MEN AND BOYS—Regular lines of the very best domestic makes, also Fownes imported make for dress, street, driving and work, lined and unlined.....25c to $5.00 Pair

SPECIAL—250 Dozens Salesmen's Samples from the best makers and jobbers of Boston, Johnstown, Gloversville and Milwaukee, the latter includes the famous Hansen railroad and auto gloves and mittens. These are samples used the past season; quality of the highest standard; while they are slightly soiled, does not injure the wearing quality.

PRICE 1-3 TO 1-2 LESS THAN REGULAR PRICES

Bath Robes for Men and Boys—250 Robes, made from blankets of the latest design, new patterns made up ulster style, shawl collar, silk cord trimmed, all double felled and piped seams, custom finish, throughout. Prices on these robes have not advanced. $2.98, $3.50, $5.00, $6.50, $7.50 and $10.00

House Jackets—New Lines, made from an all wool, double faced fabric, neat patterns, oxford, navy, green and brown, outside plaid lining and facing, silk cord trimmed, three pockets, silk frog. Our price $5.00

Coat and V Neck Sweaters—Heavy all wool Shaker Knit Sweaters, coat made with collar or V neck; you can save a dollar on these coats. Special $5.00, $6.00, $7.50

East Section — Left Aisle

Art Needlework

Essentially feminine gifts, inexpensive always, with the lasting qualities which will be pleasant reminders for months to come of this happy Christmas time.

Handkerchief and Glove Cases .....$1.50 to $3.50
Night Gown Cases .....$3.00 to $5.00
Pillow Cases $4.50
Collar, Laundry, Shoe, Darning, Knitting and Party Bags .....25c to $7.50
Pin Trays .....50c to 75c
Cushions .....25c to $4.00
Guest Towels .....$1.00 to $3.00
Luncheon Sets .....$3.00 to $16.50
Scarfs and Centre Pieces .....$1.50 to $10.00
Crochet Mats, with asbestos for Hot Dishes, 3 sizes, for .....$1.50 Set
Tie Racks .....35c to $2.50
Shaving Pads 35c
Hand Made Cluny Doilies, Centres and Scarfs, 25c to $10.00
Ribbon Novelties, in lingerie clasps and sets. Needle Books, Fan Holders, Garters, Baby Dress Hangers, Carriage Straps, Vanity Cases, Emerys, etc. 25c to $3.00
We carry a large line of creations in Laundry, Shoe, Work, Darning and Knitting Bags..25c to $3.00
Hand Embroidered and Leather Pillows $3.00 to $8.00

East Section — Centre Aisle

HAD NO MONEY BUT LOTS OF COURAGE

Two young men, residents of Burlington, Vt., who are real adventurers and who traveled through several states and who have crossed the ocean in cattle boats landed in Lowell late last night, cold, penniless and without any place to sleep. Almost frozen, they wended their way to the police station and were accommodated with a bed consisting of a hard board bounded by three brick walls and an iron gate. They were brought before Judge Enright today as suspicious characters. They said that they left Burlington last May and after tiring of the scenery in this part of the country took a trip to France. "We are now going to try and beat it home" said one of the boys. "We haven't any money and don't know how far we can go but we'll make a start if given a chance." They were given the chance and quickly departed from the bastile.

SIX DAY BIKE RACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—At 7 a. m. today all of the 14 teams of bicycle riders who started at midnight in the 24th annual six day race in Madison Square Garden were tied with a total of 162 miles 9 laps. Beyond a few spills in which no one was injured seriously enough to compel his withdrawal there were no accidents. The record for the seventh hour is 167 miles 1 lap by Eaton-Madden in 1915.

The following teams are contesting: American-Australian, Goullet and Grenda; Australian, McNamara and Spears; Swiss-French, Egg and Dupy; New England, Hill and Drobach; New York, Root and Madden; Long Island, Carman and Wiley; Bronx, Kaiser and Cameron; Dixie-Belgian, Walthour and de Baeter; Newark, Smith and Hopsky; Rocky Mountains, Larson and Mitten; New Jersey, Eaton and Ryan; Belgian-Italian E. Ohrt and Dello; Boston-San Francisco, H. Ohrt and Thomas; Canadian, Spencer and Carroll.

IN BOSTON

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SLEEPYTIME TALES

TIM THE HERO

Once upon a time Jack, Tom and Ned started out to go skating. As they passed Tim's house they called to him to come along. "Are you sure the ice is safe?" he called out. "Oh, if you are afraid, don't come," retorted Ned. "No, I'm not afraid," said Tim and soon joined them with his skates.

The ice was cracking in some places and the boys kept near the edge of the pond until someone proposed that they play snap the whip. At first they were very careful, but as the game progressed they quite forgot the thin ice and soon were all out in the middle of the pond.

All at once they heard a crash and in a second Ned was in the water and Tom close beside him struggling to get out. "Quick, quick, form a chain," shouted Tim. He was very quick and very calm and in a second the remaining boys had hold of each other's hands and were pulling slowly toward the safe ice. Tom was pulled out first, but just as they thought they had Ned safe too, the ice cracked again and back into the icy water slipped Ned.

Tim threw off his coat and threw it to Ned, who caught hold of the sleeve and then very carefully Tim drew him to safety. The boys were very much excited and cold and wet, so they started home as fast as they could go. Ned went to Tim and said: "I am sorry, Tim, I said you were afraid. You are the bravest of all for you saved my life." "Oh, that's all right," replied Tim. "I didn't do any more than the other boys," but the others knew if Tim hadn't thought and acted as quickly as he did, it might have been too late to have helped Tom and Ned.

The boys went home and got into dry clothes and the next day were all right, but you may be sure, everyone in the neighborhood was told how brave Tim was, and he didn't say a word about it himself either.

THE JUMPING ROOSTER

Once upon a time a family of hens lived in a snug little house. They were ver yhappy and contented until one day a pair of squirrels called. The squirrels told them what a lovely home they had in a tall tree, how much they could see and how cosy is was, and invited the hens and their husband to come and visit them.

So the next day Mr. Rooster and five little hens started out to make the call. They arrived at the tree to find Mr. and Mrs. Squirrell sitting out on their porch on the branch of the tree near the door to their home. It was so high up that the hens were sure they could never reach it, but smarty Rooster said he could fly up there easily.

He got half way up when down he came with a bump. He tried again and again but could not fly high enough so he gave it up with shame at his brags and the squirrels had to come down to the ground to receive their callers.

Mr. Rooster was not satisfied, however, but kept getting up and jumping at the tree to see if he couldn't fly. When they went home Mr. Rooster continued to practise flying. He hardly took time to eat, but used up all the days jumping and jumping until cook saw him and decided that he had gone crazy.

She went out and caught him and shut him up in a coop all by himself, but that didn't stop him from trying to fly and finally cook had to sell him to the butcher as she said she didn't want any crazy rooster about. This was a lesson for the hens and now they won't speak to the squirrels, but pass them by with their heads up and eyes turned away.

CARDINAL O'CONNELL ON SOCIAL SERVICE

ADDRESS TO BOSTON CATHOLIC CHARITIES—ADVOCATES FAITH RATHER THAN FADS

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—"Social service is not charity—never can be charity. Social service is at best an avocation, oftener, in fact quite generally, it is an easy job. It has its use as every avocation, even every job has. But play no hypocrisy! We know very well the infinite unfathomable distance between social service and Christian charity."

Thus declared Cardinal O'Connell in an address before more than 200 representatives of the various Catholic charitable organizations and societies of the diocese, at a meeting held in St. Cecilia's Guild hall, Belvidere st. yesterday. The meeting was called for the purpose of unifying the various Catholic charitable societies and organizations.

Does Not Condemn

The cardinal was careful to say, however, that, "I am not condemning social service, much less the social servant. I am only pointing out that it is not the whole story, not everything. The perfect thing, pretty nearly everything, would be the combination of both—social worker and Vincentian, whether male or female. That is the experienced and intelligent, and good Christian." Continuing, the cardinal said:

"You may keep, if you will, your terminology, but you will never again destroy ours. That game is gone forever. It will never succeed again. The vogue of that particular verbal two-step is passe.

"What is needed today among all classes of Catholics here in America is more confidence in themselves and less weak imitation and spineless subservience to what is called the spirit of the age, this up-to-dateness, this yesterday-civilization with its cocksure methods and its empty boastfulness. By this time the world ought to realize that what is most needed today is not a new batch of fads, but a glance backward to the ages of faith. The two great nations which for half a century had claimed the monopoly of intelligence and cleverness and learning are now, God help them, both in the last throes of the bitterest life and death struggle the world has ever known."

"When a community is so occupied as to turn over its human problems to the professional social worker, trained along purely mathematical lines, it will find at the end of a certain period of time that all the problems of crime and poverty and unrest have been solved completely on paper—the reports are all perfectly accurate—and if it then gets a moment to put on its spectacles and look out of the window instead of at the report, it will find that the same problems are still there and nothing much has been really accomplished, except the printing."

Other speakers followed on the advantages to be derived from a closer union of all Catholic charities.

DRACUT SCHOOL TEACHERS

As a result of a protest entered by a prominent resident of Dracut, the school board at a recent meeting decided not to pay the school teachers for time lost on account of personal illness, this new rule to go into effect at once. Heretofore the teachers were paid for all lost time under section 8 of article 7 of the by-laws of the school committee, but the attorney general has declared the said section to be illegal.

DIED SUDDENLY

Charles Roy Dropped Dead at the Home of His Father-in-Law in Ludlam Street

Charles Roy, a well known resident of this city, died suddenly Saturday evening at the home of his father-in-law, Eugene Larochelle, 165 Ludlam st., death being due to natural causes. Mr. Roy worked all day Saturday and seemed in the best of health. In the evening he went to his father-in-law's home and while entering the house he dropped to the floor unconscious. Dr. L. V. Rochette was summoned in haste but when he arrived Mr. Roy had passed away. The body was viewed by Medical Examiner J. V. Meigs, who said death was due to heart disease. Deceased, who was 43 years of age, is survived by his wife, a son, Charles, Jr.; his mother, Mrs. Napoleon Roy; two brothers, Alfred of Chelmsford Centre and Philias of this city, and a sister, Mrs. E. St. Arnault.

DELIGHTFUL RECITAL

A delightful recital was given Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss Ella M. Reilly in Temple street. Miss Reilly was assisted by Miss Elizabeth F. Conway, reader. A feature of the program was that all pieces were played from memory.

The program was as follows:

Duet, Happy Greeting .... Warren
Miss M. Kiley, Miss Reilly
In the Month of May .... Renr
Margaret Ennion
My Ma's Waltz .... Mary
Agnes Barron
Reading .... Selected
Miss Elizabeth F. Conway
Duet .... Sartorio
Mary Quinn, Miss Reilly
In the Church .... L. E. Orth
Virginia Mahoney
Folk Song .... Sartorio
May Minkine
Dolly and I .... L. E. Orth
Ruth Cavanaugh
Duet.
John McMannon, Miss Reilly
Curly Locks .... L. E. Orth
Elizabeth T. Cassidy
Dance of the Gnomes .... Hamer
Margaret F. Maroney

FORMER CONG. G. W. COOKE DEAD

Was Civil War Veteran and Formerly a Prominent Railroad Man Born in Indiana

CHEBLEY, Colo., Dec. 18.—George W. Cooke, 68, former congressman from Colorado, a civil war veteran and formerly a prominent railroad man, died here yesterday. He was born in Indiana.

SAFE CRACKED; $1000 TAKEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Five safe blowers entered a State street store yesterday, chloroformed two watchmen, blew the safe and escaped with $1000.

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BIG DROP IN VALUE OF ITALIAN MONEY

DEPRECIATION SINCE COUNTRY ENTERED THE WAR CAUSES ALARM

ROME, Dec. 18.—The big commercial and financial problem now disturbing Italy is the depreciation of her money in foreign markets. Notwithstanding the success of her armies and the confidence at home and abroad that her territory cannot be invaded, the lire (19.3 cents) has continued to drop in value ever since Italy entered the war.

At the beginning of the war an American dollar was worth five lire fifteen centimes. During the present year this dollar in Italy has had an average value of six lire fifty centimes. This same general depreciation applies to every county in Europe.

The lire, before the war quoted at par with the French franc, has lost 10 to 15 per cent of its purchasing power there. In other words, during the present year it has taken an average of 112 lire to buy 100 French francs, the lowest average value of the lire on the Paris bourse since 1871, when the present Italian government had just firmly established itself by the taking of Rome.

In calling attention to these facts, Italie of Rome points out that the lire in Switzerland loses 25 per cent of its value and is worth no more in proportion than the German mark, whereas the Spanish dollar or five pesetas piece, having less actual silver in it than the 5-lire or 5-francs piece, is now worth in Paris 6 francs.

The Popolo Romano in a recent discussion of the situation stated that the general reason for the depreciation of the lire was the excess of purchases made abroad over goods sold abroad, an excess which it estimates for the year 1916 as $332,000,000. This excess is due to war supplies bought abroad, to the destruction of the tourist trade of peace times, and to the necessity of keeping at home articles of food or clothing formerly exported.

In practice this excess means that if an Italian merchant imports a quantity of American shoes at $1 each, he must pay an exchange rate that makes each pair really cost him $6.20. The Popolo Romano states that unless some solution is found to the problem, the county will after the war face disaster, and will not then be in any better position to increase the exchange value of its money than now. It predicts that all the available moneys and bonds will be drained out of Italy by this species of war tax. It urges an arbitrary fixing among the allies of an exchange standard until after the war. It states that the final solution of the problem lies in domestic economy, the limiting of imports and, immediately after the war, the increase of Italian industrial exports to the Orient.

Temporary measures adopted recently by the government are tending to force economy in the consumption of all articles that must be purchased in foreign countries. It has placed an arbitrary price of 50 cents the two pounds on sugar, which is regarded as a luxury in Italy, has taken charge of all beet sugar factories in Italy and of all sugar imported, and has so limited the supply that even at this price sugar cannot be purchased in more than two-pound lots. Each week a certain number of carloads of sugar is asigned to each large city and when this supply is distributed, sugar cannot be had for any money.

The government has also so limited the imports of coal that coal is now retailed at $50 the ton and the greater part of the population will be unable to use it at all this winter. While meats, particularly mutton, may be found on the market at 40 to 50 cents a pound, a recent decree has forbidden the sale on Thursday and Fridays of each week. Another decree provides for the closing of stores at 9.30 at night and the dimming of street lamps at 10.30.

If the lire continues its depreciation in value, other national economies may be forced upon the people of Italy.

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SCHOONER WRECKED IN STORM

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 18.—Word of the total wreck of the British schooner Laura E. Melanson off the coast of New Brunswick in the storm of Saturday, was received here last night. The mate was the only member of the crew lost.

$150,000 LOSS BY STORM

YARMOUTH, N. S., Dec. 18.—Nova Scotia lobster fishermen estimate their loss by the storm which struck this coast Saturday at more than $100,000. The whole southern and western shore of the province is strewn with the wreckage of lobster traps and other gear, and the destruction of many floating cars filled with lobsters adds heavily to the loss.

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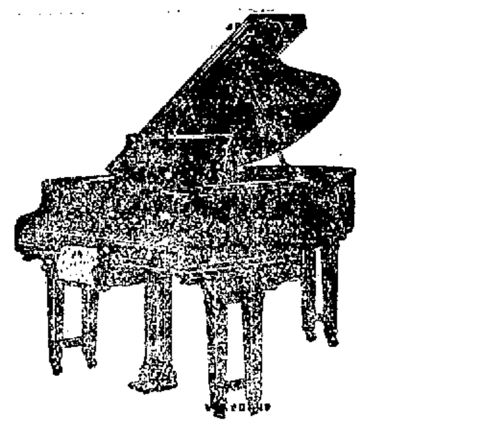

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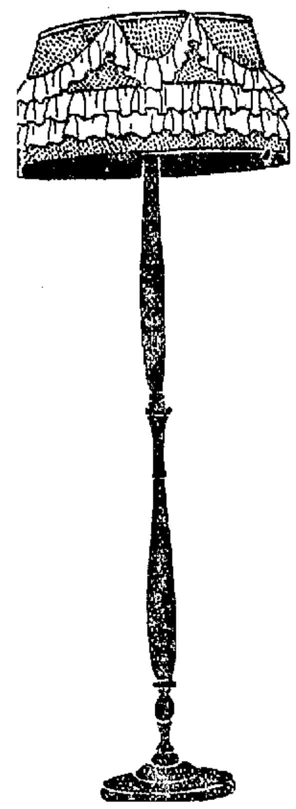

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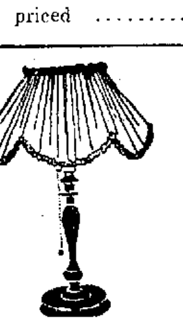

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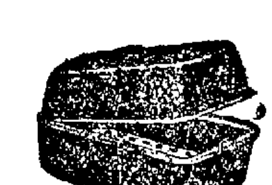

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98c

STORE OPEN EVERY EVENING THIS WEEK EXCEPT TUESDAY.

NOTED BIKE RIDERS START 6-DAY RACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Fourteen teams of the fastest bicycle riders in the world were entered for the midnight start in the 24th annual six-day race in Madison Square Garden. The field is smaller this year than in any previous contest as the management wished to avoid accidents through crowding by inexperienced riders whose presence on the track retards the faster men in the sprints.

This year the Berlin, or point system for places gained in five-mile sprints, 10 of which will take place each evening between 8 and 10 o'clock, will have a bearing on the placing of the final winners of cash prizes. The points gained in these daily sprints will be added to the scores in the final sprint Saturday night. The pick-up rule will be strictly enforced and every rider will be compelled to come to a full stop, alongside the track, before re-entering the contest to relieve his teammate.

The track has been banked higher at the turns and built somewhat narrower on the stretches than in former years, with a view to inducing record-breaking speed. Following is a list of the names and make-up of the contesting teams:

American-Australian—Goulet and Grenda.
Australian—McNamara and Spears.
Swiss-French—Egg and DuPuy.
New England—Hill and Drobach.
New York—Root and Madden.
Long Island—Carman and Wiley.
Bronx—Kaiser and Cameron.
Dixie-Belgian—Walthour and De Baetes.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CROWE AND DROUIN WIN RACE AT ROLLAWAY

DEFEATED COUTURE BY LAP AND A THIRD IN THE THREE-MILE EVENT

After witnessing the fast roller skating races held at the Rollaway rink this season, many were of the opinion that a running race would appear rather slow and uninteresting, but such was not the case, for the running race there on Saturday night proved very fast and decidedly interesting.

Fred Couture of the Bellevue club, appeared against Tony Drouin of the Mathew Temperance institute and Jas. Crowe of the O.M.I. Cadets in a three-mile event and the distance was covered in a little more than 17 minutes This is exceptionally fast time for amateurs, especially when one considers that the course is 19 laps to the mile.

Crowe and Drouin were teamed against Couture and the conditions permitted the duo to relay each other at will. This proved a little too much for the Bellevue representative and in spite of the fact that he put up a game fight, he was forced to submit to defeat.

Crowe and Couture started at the scratch, and after going four laps at a neck to neck clip, Crowe sprinted and succeeded in gaining a ten yard lead. He then signalled to Drouin and the Mathew runner came in and held the lead established by his partner. He continued to plug for about eight laps, when he called for Crowe. The cadet started off like a flash and piled up a lead of half a lap, before he retired. Again Drouin, who proved to be a great plugger, came on and he succeeded in slightly increasing the lead Crowe gave him. They continued this plan throughout the race. When the final mile was reached Drouin had a lap lead on Couture and Crowe relieved him and by a fast sprint increased the advantage to a lap and a third, before the bell rang. All runners finished strong.

There was a large crowd on hand, each organization sending a goodly sized representation. Enthusiasm ran high, and the three performers were loudly cheered during the progress of the race. The second series of three races will be held next Saturday night, when the same men will appear in a five-mile event.

BOUTS THIS WEEK

TODAY

Richie Mitchell vs. Joe Welling, Racine, Wis.
Young Britt vs. Billy Myers, Taunton.
Jack McCarron vs. K. O. Brennan, Rochester, N. Y.
Willie Beecher vs. Shamus O'Brien, New York.
George Chaney vs. Al Britt, Baltimore.
Johnny Dundee vs. Buck Fleming, Philadelphia.
Tommy Robson vs. Young O'Neil, Woonsocket.
Tony Vatin vs. Paul Demers, New Bedford.
Charlie Sheppard vs. Frankie McManus, Gloucester.
Jimmy Wylde vs. Zulu Kid, Hulborn, Eng.
Frank Moran vs. Gunboat Smith, Brooklyn.
Bombardier Wells vs. Dan Voyles, London, Eng.
Sailor Kirk vs. Gilbert Gallant, Denver.

TUESDAY

Eddie Murphy vs. Joe Connolly; Mel Coogan vs. Larry Hansen; Kid Lee vs. Al Girard; Louis Leonard vs. Kid Thomas, Armory A. A.
Frank Carbone vs. Mike McTeague, Thornton.
Jim Savage vs. Tom Johnson, New York.
Billy Miske vs. Jack Dillon, Brooklyn.
Joe Rivers vs. Joe Demarest, Gardner.
Pat Green vs. Joe Carroll; Kid Lahore vs. J. Russell, and Joe Eagan vs. Al Nelson, Manchester, N. H.
Gus Christie vs. Jackie Clarke, Albany.

WEDNESDAY

Charlie Weinert vs. Billy Weeks, Cincinnati.
Mike O'Dowd vs. Jack Toland, Marieville, R. I.
Mel Coogan vs. Young Murphy, Greenfield.

THURSDAY

Ted Lewis vs. Johnny Griffiths, Cleveland, O.
Tom Robson vs. Jim Mitchen, Lawrence.

FRIDAY

Tony Vatlin vs. Paul Demers; Charlie Sheppard vs. Johnny Donovan; Tom McFarland vs. Chick West, and Sam White vs. Ray Duretto, Commercial A. C.
Al Rogers vs. Johnny Wilson, Bangor.
St. Patrick's T. A. society, Brockton.
Frankie Russell vs. Jack Hanlon, New Orleans.
Johnny Howard vs. Bill McKinnon, Westfield.

RED SOX SECRETARY

Chicago Boy Chosen to Fill the Place of Eddie Riley Former Field Secretary to the team

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—A Chicago boy was picked yesterday for the position of traveling secretary for the world's champion Boston Red Sox when the new owners of the champions, Harry Frazee and Hugh Ward, announced they had chosen Larry Graver to handle the business end of the tours of the team next year.

Graver has been in the box office at the Cort theatre here for the last six years, and Mr. Frazee is owner of the theatre. The boy has been associated with him for that length of time. Because of his ability and faithful service he was picked for the more important position in Boston and will join the Red Sox in time to buy their tickets for Hot Springs when the training trip begins.

Graver has had considerable experience in baseball, too, as he has sold box seats at Comiskey park at various times during the summer. He is a close friend of Ray Schalk, the Sox catcher, and was best man at Schalk's wedding recently. The former secretary for the Red Sox was Ed Riley, who was dismissed by the former owner, Joe Lannin, just before the world's series began.

ROGERS' QUESTION MAY ESTABLISH PRECEDENT

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Congressman Rogers of Lowell this week put up a question to the state department, the answer to which is likely to establish an important precedent, as to the status of men honorably discharged but still on the reserve list of the army.

A Massachusetts case came to the attention of Mr. Rogers and was the basis of his inquiry. The point in question related to a naturalized citizen of Mr. Rogers' district, who was on the reserve list but who several months ago went abroad and enlisted with one of the belligerth forces where he is still serving. Mr. Rogers now raises the point as to whether his connection with the U. S. government as a member of its reserve army force is sufficient to warrant the state department asking that he be returned. The state department and the war department now have the question under consideration. It is the first time such a question has been put before them and they will look into it thoroughly as on their decision a precedent for future action will be established. Unquestionably there are hundreds of naturalized Americans abroad who have taken up arms on one side or another for their native countries, and the question of their return to this country is an important one. As members of the U. S. army on reserve force they are subject to a call to the colors at any moment. By absenting themselves from this country and taking up arms for another they may have placed themselves in an embarrassing position, and it is Mr. Rogers' desire to protect both the men and the government by having a diplomatic agreement between the United States and foreign countries regarding the exact status of such men.

RICHARDS.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS BY IRISH FORESTERS

A meeting of the members of Branch O'Neil Crowley, 595, Irish National Foresters was held yesterday afternoon in A.O.H. hall with Chief Ranger Charles Shanley in the chair. Two applications for membership were received and one new member was initiated. A feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Chief ranger, John J. Mahoney; sub chief ranger, Patrick Sexton; financial secretary, Thomas Nevin; assistant secretary, Joseph Handley; treasurer, Jas. W. McKenna; senior woodward, Thomas Slattery; junior woodward, Terrence Kelley; senior beadle, Michael Nugent; junior beadle, Edward Cromey; physician, Dr. James J. Cassidy; trustee for three years, Hugh McQuade. The newly elected officers will be installed on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 7, 1917, by Past Chief Ranger Patrick Linehan. At the conclusion of the meeting a social hour will be enjoyed.

WILD RUNAWAY

A runaway horse dragging a pair of shafts galloped through Merrimack square at a high speed about 5:30 o'clock more than a hundred and terrorized more than a hundred pedestrians who were in the square at that busy hour. The horse came straight down Merrimack street and proceeded through the square in front of The Sun building. Bystanders heralded the approach of the horse by shouts of warning to people who were boarding cars and crossing the street. Several women had narrow escapes. The horse finally cleared itself of the dangling shafts ad stopped its madcap galloping chase in Belvidere.

THE LOWELL THRIFT CLUB

Members of the Thrift club for the year 1916, conducted by the Exchange Trust Co. of Boston, were paid last week $1,539,587.63, according to President Martin's statement. He says there were 41,500 club members. What is even more interesting is his statement that investigation shows that the majority of the members never had a bank account. It is exactly the same system of compulsory saving that is to be introduced in this city under the name Lowell Thrift club by the Middlesex Trust Co. The membership list opens tonight.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

LOWELLITES HEAR BILLY SUNDAY

Saturday night was "Lowell night" at the Billy Sunday tabernacle when more than 2000 men and women went from this city on three special trains comprising 12 cars each to hear the much talked of evangelist. The trains were late in leaving the Middlesex street station and hence much difficulty was experienced in reaching the tabernacle. The services began soon after their arrival, however. "Rody," the choir leader, congratulated the Lowell delegation and they responded with cheers for "Rody," Sunday and Lowell. They also sang the following original song to the tune of "Brighten the Corner."

"We have all come down from Lowell,
three thousand strong,
Just to get a little of your pep,
And to give us courage to go back and
fight the liquor throng,
Because our city is still wet.

"Lowell churches—to the fight!
Battle for vict'ry in the right!
Like you here in Boston, we're to drive
booze out of sight,
Watch out for Lowell from tonight."

Rody pronounced the delegation the largest from a distance that ever attended a Sunday revival in any city, and naturally the singing leader became immensely popular with the Lowell crowd.

The delegation returned to this city on the specials.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Rev. W. George Mullin has sent out in behalf of the Knight of Columbus Guild an appeal for the annual Christmas offerings. At an expense of $1200 in the past year, the guild has given food to 49 families, has clothed 90 persons and has interested itself in 270 cases. The funds are low at the present time and there is a whole lot of work that could be done if money were available. Contributors may notify Rev. Fr. Mullin, treasurer of the guild, or the Knights of Columbus headquarters.

MISSING MAN FOUND DEAD IN HIS ROOM

The body of William Bennett, aged about 75 years, who during the storm Friday was reported missing, was found in his room in the old Middlesex Tavern, 1637 Middlesex street, Saturday night, by Patrolman Johnson. The man died from exposure, according to the finding of Medical Examiner Meigs.

Bennett was employed as a choreman by several residents of Tyler park and vicinity. On Friday E. H. Sanborn noted the absence of the man and reported his disappearance to the police. Saturday night Patrolman Johnson was sent to the house where Bennett had been living alone and received no answer after rapping on the door. Occupants of another part of the house said that they had not seen the man for several days. An entrance was forced and the body was found, fully dressed, on the floor near the bed.

Medical Examiner Meigs said the man had been dead for 10 days. Undertaker Healey removed the remains to his rooms in Branch street. Deceased has a brother living in Sandwich, N. H., and a sister whose exact whereabouts have not been learned.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

INQUIRY INTO COAL AND CAR SHORTAGE

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Inquiry into an alleged shortage of coal and a car shortage in the middle west was begun here today by United States District Attorney Charles F. Clyne, assisted by George W. Anderson, United States district attorney at Boston, and other federal officials.

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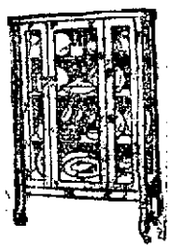

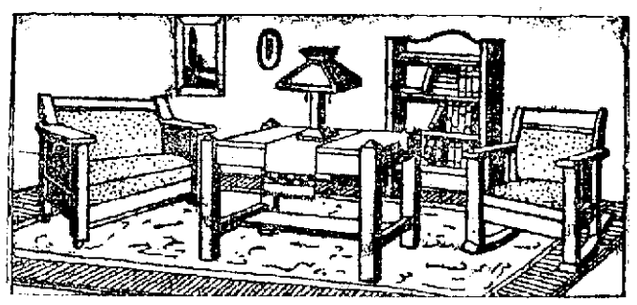

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WHERE LOWELL IS SLIGHTED

In his recent report Secretary McAdoo of the United States treasury department exposes the so-called "pork" legislation of past years by which federal buildings have been lavishly scattered over the country in a way that is wasteful and extravagant at some points while at others, such for example as in Lowell, the buildings are wholly inadequate to meet the pressing demands of the government's business.

The secretary attacks the so-called omnibus public building bills which have resulted in the construction of many federal buildings in small towns and localities where they are not needed and at a cost clearly unjustified by the requirements of the communities in which they are erected.

Political pull rather than actual necessity has dictated the grant of such buildings, even while large communities have to struggle along with structures far too small to meet their actual needs. In the past two decades, says the report, the sum of $180,000,000 has been appropriated for public buildings, the greater part of which has been expended on costly structures in small localities where neither the government business nor the convenience of the people justified their construction. But the most serious aspect is the cost of maintenance which is ever increasing. There are 1000 federal buildings to be operated and maintained and in spite of the conditions mentioned the government is paying $3,000,000 annually in rental for space in connection with its buildings in large cities.

Here is a condition that calls for an immediate remedy. The people of Lowell have been greatly inconvenienced by a post office that is very much too small to accommodate local business and yet while Lowell has been neglected, buildings were erected in other localities where they were not needed.

It is up to Congressman Rogers to put up such a battle as will secure a new postoffice for Lowell, one that will be big enough for the needs of the next twenty years and worthy of a large and growing city. What is true of federal buildings is probably also true of the expenditure of the large appropriations made annually for improving inland waterways, yet the officials at Washington are not disposed to give the claims of the Merrimack fair consideration, despite the fact that it runs more spindles than any other river in the world. Two things then, we want from congress—a new postoffice and an appropriation to make the Merrimack river navigable. We can say to Congressman Rogers that in pushing both projects he will have the undivided support of the press and the people of Lowell.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

With Christmas but one week away it would appear that a very large part of the shopping remains yet to be done. Never before did the local stores appear so resplendent in their decorations or so prosperous in their business. Everything the fancy can suggest is to be found in our great department stores as a tour of any of them will strikingly attest. There is no excuse for parties going to Boston for what they want and those who may go will find that they can purchase their needs in Lowell at a much lower price. While prices are higher than formerly, the stores, judging from their advertisements, are offering great inducements to purchasers in every line. It is, therefore, in order for those who wish to avoid the eleventh hour crowding to get out at once and do their shopping. Those who do not work during the day should do their shopping in the forenoon as they will then have the best opportunity to go through the stores and select what they want with satisfaction and comfort.

NEW PROGRESSIVE PARTY

Leaders of the progressive party have taken steps to revive, or as they say, "reincarnate," the party so that it will be entirely independent of other parties and ready to advance liberal reforms wherever feasible. A convention is to be held at St. Louis on Washington's birthday and Matthew Hale of Boston, national vice chairman of the progressive party, is the leading spirit authorized to select a committee and plan for the convention. This attempt on the part of loyal progressives may be of more significance than appears on the surface.

If properly conducted the party may eventually succeed the old republican party unless what is known as the "Old Guard" either subsides or gets into the onward march of progress. The new party will admit none of the former members who went back to the republicans in the recent contest. In other words the party will be made up of progressives who have kept their pledges and fought for their convictions.

OUR NEW FLYING SQUADRON

We are likely to become quite familiar with hydroplanes in the near future as a government order for thirty-two of them has been placed with the Burgess company of Marblehead. It is not improbable that on their trial trips they will be frequently seen along the Massachusetts coast.

Each machine is to be over 33 feet long with a wing span of 70 feet. There will be two motors of 125 horse power each. The weight of the machine will be two tons and the carrying capacity 1800 pounds. The maximum speed will be 75 miles an hour and the climbing rate of the loaded machine 250 feet per minute. They will be so constructed as to have special stability in the water. Thus is Uncle Sam providing for a flying squadron for scouting purposes at sea or along the coast.

THE CALL OF THE STARVING

"In God's name, help now—no matter how little—they are dying!" This is from an appeal sent out in behalf of the starving children in Europe, victims of the war. Millions have already died and other millions are dying in Belgium and other countries ravaged by the war during the last two years. All the children in Poland are dead and sinking under the effects of two years of underfeeding millions in other countries are slowly starving.

The appeal says 10 cents will give a child one day's life—thirty-five dollars will feed it for a year in the battle-riven countries of southern Europe.

Remittances for this fund should be sent to Joseph H. O'Neill, treasurer, Federal Trust company, 85 Devonshire street, Boston.

ANOTHER STEP FORWARD

Col. George O. Squier, U.S.A., attached to the aviation section of the signal corps has invented an apparatus by which cable messages can be received by the Morse signals as in radio telegraphy. Up to the present all ocean cables have been operated with what is known as the visual recorder, or by light flashes interpreted by expert recorders.

This new invention will cause the cables to express the code in sounds, which will greatly facilitate the taking of messages and thus make the cables more serviceable.

This invention is another triumph for the ingenuity of Americans and now the name of Squier will be linked with those of Morse and Field, the great pioneers in telegraphy.

PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Associations that are being organized in connection with town and country schools have great possibilities for good. Nothing is of more benefit to the teachers than the steady and active co-operation of the parents. The good results obtained not only in school affairs but in making the schools social centres at which neighborhood gatherings are held, and betterment movements promoted, are already recognized. The joint action of all concerned in a school district secures the best results in education and at the same time helps local industries, local improvements and stamps out local abuses.

PORTO RICAN BILL

There is no doubt that congress will pass the measure recommended by President Wilson to extend American citizenship to the people of Porto Rico. From all accounts the Porto Ricans have made great progress since coming under the control of the United States. The measure before congress and which has already passed the house provides also a more liberal measure of home rule for these islanders, all of which is but a matter of justice.

Germany is now to use her efforts to secure a separate peace with Italy in order, if possible, to break up the solidarity of the entente allies. She has evidently had all the fighting she wanted.

New York is to build the biggest hotel in the world—a sixteen-story structure with a thousand rooms. The site alone will cost $800,000, being in the heart of the busy district at Seventh avenue and Fifty-sixth street.

Germany goes right ahead with the deportation of the Belgians and will continue it until the end of the war.

Villa wants a truce with the United States until he can conquer Carranza. The gall of him!

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Seen and Heard

The way to make mind triumphant over matter is to think about your new hat when your new shoes are killing you.

The Chicago Examiner remarks that a handsome girl with a cigaret breath is about as attractive as a rosebud that has been picked out of a barroom cuspidor.

Where Creditors Got Left

It doesn't always pay for creditors to assume that the estate of a bankrupt is so small that it isn't worth while to try and prove their claims, although of course it frequently happens that such is the case. In fact in the big majority of instances the creditors have the correct dope. At a recent session of the bankruptcy court the exception to the rule was proved. A Brockton bankrupt had a number of creditors and the estate that went into the hands of the trustee seemed so small that all but two declined to go to the bother of proving their claims. Later developments showed that the estate was larger than at first thought and the two creditors who did prove their claims were paid in full and quite a substantial balance was returned to the bankrupt, much to the chagrin of the other creditors.—Brockton Daily Enterprise.

Spanked By Queen

Sir Charles Halle, the famous musician, once described the kaiser in his boyhood as "charming, but a devil." On one occasion the little prince was staying with Queen Victoria and entered the queen's room just as Sir Charles was leaving it. The queen told him to salute her visitor. He refused, and she asked him what his mamma would say if she were told that her little boy was impolite? However, he would not move. The queen insisted that he should obey, and the delightful eight-year-old boy, looking straight into her eyes, said:

"I will not."

"This, according to Miss Clara Jerrold in "The Widowhood of Queen Victoria," was followed by a spanking, or as the musician put it "a veritable struggle and a very painful one took place between grandmother and grandson. At last the child yielded and made a deep bow."

The Thrift Club

"Well, I'm mighty glad I did it," I heard a local young man remark to another as he took a seat with a friend behind me in a trolley car last night. I was curious to know what he was glad he did, so I listened. "It came pretty hard at times, especially in the summer when there were so many ways to spend money, but I stuck to it with the tenacity of grim determination, and once borrowed it from a friend, that I might keep up, and now I have my reward. Two dollars a week isn't much when it comes every week as a regular expense, but it seemed a whole lot to me sometimes. But say, it is good to think that I have that $100 to spend this Christmas, and don't you believe it isn't." Then I knew what he was glad he did. He was glad he went into some saving club in a local bank, and he was glad he was going to get that coin out to spend. And many another, I suspect, is just as glad as he is, on their own account and for the same reason. With the joy of receiving that money fresh in mind, there should be little difficulty in getting them to join another club when they are started again.—Lawrence Telegram.

Duffy

Duffy? Who's Duffy? Haven't you heard
Of Duffy, whose name is a national word?
They told him to lower our flag on his mast,
But Duffy was true to his trust to the last.

Duffy was shot down. He cried to his crew:
"We'll fight for Old Glory, whatever they do!
Our steamer may sink, and these Austrians brag;
But we'll go with our ship if they insult our flag!"

Farragut, Perry, Lawrence and Jones
Had what Capt. Duffy has got in his bones;
His ship has gone down, but we've now a new name
To put on the list in our Temple of Fame.

Duffy—just Duffy! His boat the Chemung,
Her crew and her captains should ever be sung;
They come of a breed that will fight to the last,
To the end that Old Glory be still at the mast.

—N. Y. Sun.

They Do Say

That nobody envies the postman these days.

That the political germ has never been isolated.

That next week the days will begin to grow longer.

That few street railway men slept much Friday night.

That some people look as if their feet weren't chummy.

That Lowell has had its first auto show but not its last.

That there are only five shopping days left before Christmas.

That the snow storm made business good for the blacksmiths.

That the snow storm did not prevent the jitneys from operating.

That the members of St. Elizabeth's guild are doing great work.

That the carol songsters will be around again on Christmas eve.

That getting good pay and trying to earn it are two different things.

That when the coasting is good is the time we want to be boys again.

That the best thing to do when you get sick of your job is to throw it up.

That some people go to bed when they get sick and others walk it off.

That the 1917 outfit isn't bothering Mayor O'Donnell. He's a good referee.

That rosy-cheeked boys and girls on double runners make a pretty picture.

That we don't like the fellow who doesn't blanket his horse on a cold day.

That the high cost of living is touching the heart of some company officials.

That we had at least one snow storm to remind us that Christmas was near.

That it's funny to hear tipsy men boasting about having voted no-license.

That sleigh bells are sweeter and much more pleasing to the ear than auto horns.

That the fellow who escapes from an auto accident uninjured may consider himself lucky.

That before baseball gloves were invented players fought under London prize ring rules.

That the coats worn by some of the dudes are worse than anything the girls can spring.

That beef is going up but magnates of the diamond say bone will be cheaper than ever next year.

That somehow or other you just can't help liking the fellow who has a kind word for everybody.

That a fellow weighing 350 pounds is trying to prove that the most conceited wretches in the world are little men.

That the young lady who is to enter the stock company in Lawrence this week has the best wishes of a host of Lowell friends.

COAL SHORTAGE IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The laundry proprietors of Paris and adjoining districts met today and decided if not provided with coal needed for running their laundries, they will close down on Jan. 8th.

The Results Were Very Remarkable

Well Known Lowell Man Gives a Glowing Testimonial for Plant Juice

When the stomach performs its functions so perfectly that the possessor forgets that he has one, good health, physical powers and buoyant spirits prevail. The stomach in civilized people of today, however, is degenerate. It lacks tone and strength, gradually brought about by a sedentary existence. Too much food and too little exercise have forced their stomach into a half sick condition. It becomes weak and does not protect itself, and the bars are down for the entrance of disease in many forms.

Plant Juice, the new herbal stomach remedy, is a purifying and a vitalizing agent. It corrects local disorders of the stomach, which is being demonstrated daily, and verified by well known people of this city who have been restored to health, in signed testimonials.

For instance, Mr. E. A. Demmons, who lives at No. 25 Rogers street, Lowell, Mass., and has many friends in this city, recently stated:

"I have been troubled for years with my stomach; my food soured in my stomach and caused gas to form; I was afraid to sit down to the table to eat anything, as I had such pain afterwards. I could not eat meat nor vegetables and had to exist on the lightest kind of a diet. I had very severe headaches, was dizzy, and my head would seem to be in a constant whirl, so I could scarcely see anything. I could not sleep at night and felt all played out in the morning and had no ambition to do my work. I was so constipated that I had to take pills all the time, and never got any permanent relief; my kidneys troubled me, and I had terrible pains all through my back and in my side. I had tried so many medicines I was fairly disgusted, but when I heard so much about Plant Juice I thought I might try one more, although I had little faith in it helping me. After taking it for several weeks, I can truthfully say that the results were truly remarkable. My appetite is so good that I can eat anything I want and do not suffer afterward; I sleep well and am not dizzy or nervous; it has toned up my entire system and put my kidneys in fine condition. I am glad to give this endorsement for Plant Juice and hope others who suffer with stomach trouble will try it.

The Plant Juice Man is at Dows, the Druggist's, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.

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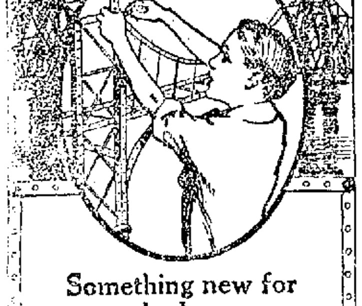

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THEATRE MAN AND WIFE JUMP FOR THEIR LIVES

THRILLING DROP FROM WINDOW OF BURNING APARTMENT TO ICY BALCONY IN BACK BAY FIRE

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—David Finestone, treasurer of the Shubert theatre, his wife, and several other tenants of apartments in the house of 14 Medfield street, in the Fenway, were rescued at an early hour yesterday, after they had sought refuge on a balcony extending from the second floor. The loss is estimated at $3000. Though the cause of the fire is unknown, according to the reports given to the police, an investigation will be made.

While the plight of several of the tenants was at times perilous, that of Mr. Finestone and his wife was of extreme hazard. Their apartment, one of six in the building, was on the third and top floor. They were asleep when Mr. and Mrs. Chester Gleason, roused by smoke and flames, groped their way to their rooms and called to them.

Cut off from the exits, both back and front, Mr. Finestone thought of the balcony. With his wife he leaped to this from a window, the Mitchells following. Even here they were insecure, for the roof of the balcony had a slight pitch, and it was slippery with a coating of ice. From this treacherous site they were rescued by firemen. Both Mr. and Mrs. Finestone received slight bruises and they and their companions suffered from exposure to the cold.

Mrs. Josephine Jocelyn was taken down a ladder from the second floor. Mrs. H. Mitchell and Miss Mitchell, on the first floor, rushed to the street in their night garments, the former slipping on the icy street and being slightly hurt. The fire started in the basement and had such a good start that it was found necessary to sound in two alarms, to which apparatus from the Back Bay and Brookline responded.

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RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY LOCAL GREEKS

A largely attended meeting of the members of the local Greek colony was held at Associate hall yesterday afternoon. The speaker of the day was Dr. Anton N. Vrahnos of Boston, who asked his Lowell brethren to adopt resolutions of protest against the blockade of Greek ports by the entente allies. The great proportion of those in attendance were Royalists, but there were Venizelosists enough to add real excitement to the meeting, and there were moment when things were mighty lively.

The speaker was introduced by Dr. John C. Gatsopoulos of this city, who in a brief address stated the purpose of the meeting, saying that Greece is on the verge of starvation unless the blockade of Greek ports is lifted, and he proposed that the meeting unite in a protest to President Wilson against the continuance of the blockade.

It was some time before Dr. Vrahnos was able to speak, for many in the audience kept asking questions. Finally the assembly listened and the doctor was given an opportunity to deliver his address.

In his opening he said that the situation in Greece is not unlike that of a patient over which two doctors disagree. One of the doctors in Greece, he said, is King Constantine, and his diagnosis of the case is that Greece should be allowed to remain neutral. Venizelos, on the other hand, has decided that the only thing which could save Greece would be active participation in the war on the side of the allies. There was, therefore, a great difference of opinion.

Continuing, Dr. Vrahnos said that the people of Greece desired to be friends with the entente allies and wished them to win the war, but that they did object to being forced to fight when they could never hope to get anything out of the war. One of the things which had taken all desire for participation in the conflict from the Greeks was the announcement made a short time ago by Premier Trepoff in the Russian Duma that Constantinople had been promised to Russia by her allies. To enter the war, said the speaker, would mean that the ancient dream of Greeks would forever fade and that Greeks would be willing to fight for nothing whatever, whereas every other ally of the entente would benefit if the entente should win. King Constantine, he felt, is a patriot and desires honestly to keep out of the war because war so impoverishes a nation. He denied that his attitude is dictated in the least by any love for Germany.

At the close of his address, which was often interrupted, the doctor read the resolutions of protest which were to the effect that the Greek minister in Washington should transmit to the president of the United States the protest of Lowell Greeks against the continuance of the blockade of Greek ports by the entente allies, and also that a protest should be made against the coming to this country of two pro-Venizelos men who have been spreading alleged untruthful statements about the king. The resolutions were adopted and the meeting was declared closed.

DR. JOHN C. GATSOPOULOS
Presiding Officer

During the course of his address, Dr. Vrahnos referred to certain Greek newspapers that gave out wrong stories relative to the situation in Greece, and those papers, he said, should be surpassed.

At the close of the meeting Dr. Gatsopoulos made a stirring appeal to the veterans of the Balkan war who fought side by side with King Constantine. He asked them to recall the proclamation issued by King Constantine at the close of the two victorious wars, to the effect that they should return home and live in peace, but never to forget that their work was not yet finished. He asked them if they believed in their hearts that King Constantine was a traitor and hundreds answered "no" and mention of the king's name was cheered to the echo.

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PRESCOTT STREET

MEDICINE DIDN'T CURE

Continued

Peter Donahue of Boston, Mrs. Aggott appealed and was held in $300 for the superior court. Supt Redmond Welch prosecuted the case.

According to the evidence offered by the government, Mrs. Aggott came to Lowell on several different occasions, sold her own preparation, advised sufferers of tuberculosis to use Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Red Cross plasters and charged at a scale ranging from $5 to $7 a visit, which included a bottle of the "good for what ails you" medicine.

Konstanty Kondratowicz of 77 East Merrimack street, was the first witness. He said that his wife was ailing a few months ago and he called Mrs. Aggott from West Roxbury to visit her. After examining Mrs. Kondratowicz, the defendant is claimed to have said that she would cure her of consumption. Mrs. Aggott sold the woman a bottle of her rheumatism balsam, applied Red Cross plasters and advised her to use the Lydia Pinkham Compound and Bovina. Witness said he paid Mrs. Aggott seven dollars for the visit.

Under cross-examination Kondratowicz denied that he called the defendant's house by telephone and offered $100 to the woman if she could cure his wife of consumption. He said that when Mrs. Aggott first looked at his wife she said she could cure her and added that she had cured more people than any doctor in Lowell.

Rumney Monarcgynski of 460 Central street called Mrs. Aggott to treat a five-year-old child who was suffering from boils, after he became dissatisfied with the treatment given by physicians. He said the woman used some of the balsam and that the child was cured in a few days. He claimed that he paid her five dollars for her "trouble in coming to Lowell."

Another witness for the government was Ounfry Welleczkon of 16 Bent's court, whose wife has been ill for some time. He testified that he tried "lots" of doctors and then went to Boston personally and requested Mrs. Aggott to come to Lowell. He said the woman came and gave his wife one bottle of medicine. The woman used it but her condition was unchanged afterward. He said that he paid her six dollars for her fare and visit. Welleczkon said that he had tried every doctor in Lowell but his wife is still ill.

The fourth man to summon Mrs. Aggott was Leon Janetowicz of 36 Davidson street. His wife is now ill at the state infirmary in Tewksbury. She had trouble with her hair and the defendant cut the hair and then applied her own medicine. She is said to have gone to a drug store with Janetowicz and purchased two bottles of patent medicine which she advised be used. Witness said that he paid two dollars for the medicine and seven dollars for the fee.

Mrs. Aggott testified that she prepares a patented medicine which she has made and sold for some time. She admitted visiting the homes of the four men who testified but denied that she took any money other than one dollar from each for the price of her rheumatism balsam. She told them that if they cared to use Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Bovina to go ahead and try it as it wouldn't do any harm, she said. Part of Mrs. Aggott's work is to cheer up the patients, she said. She told one that life is too short to be crying and nagging it away. "Have faith, whatever the trouble is," was her motto. Miss Margaret Aggott, the defendant's daughter, testified relative to receiving telephone calls from the Lowell men asking to have Mrs. Aggott come to Lowell. Miss Aggott, who acted as an interpreter in the Gingras case a few years ago, believed that at least one of the defendants has had an ill feeling against her since that time.

Mr. Donahue contended that the woman simply sold her own medicine to the Lowell men but His Honor said that she treated sick people and did exactly what the statute forbids.

A FAREWELL PARTY

A very delightful and informal farewell party was tendered to Mrs. Bertha Woessner on Friday evening by the members of the German Singing society at their hall. Mr. Herman Zelner presented the departing member a beautiful parlor clock and two cake plates on behalf of the society, and although taken entirely by surprise the guest of the evening respondd in a pleasing manner. Mrs. Woessner is a charter member and her loss will be keenly felt. After a bounteous luncheon dancing was enjoyed until the early hours of the morning. Mrs. Woessner leaves a wide circle of friends who wish her happiness and prosperity in her new home.

FRENCH CAPTURE 13,387

Continued

ter north of Fort Douamont, where they secured a footing.

The French took 11,387 prisoners in the Verdun fighting of the past three days, the Paris war office announces, together with 115 cannon, 107 machine guns and 44 bomb throwers.

Some lessening in the intensity of the fighting in Rumania is indicated by today's German army headquarters statement which reports the situation on the Rumanian front unchanged.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's advance has pushed considerably beyond the Buzeu line, drawn approximately across the southern boundary of Moldavia and unofficial advices indicate that the entente front is to be established between Rimnik Sarat, on the Buzeu-Jassy railway about 20 miles north of Buzeu and the Danube marshes.

Rumanian Army Withdrawn

The current advices declare that the Rumanian army is no longer in action, having been withdrawn to Jassy and Bessarabia for regrouping and refitting under the protection of Russian forces which now hold the fighting line. The Russians are expected to make their stand on the Rimnik Sarat line where strong defenses have been prepared The Berlin statement, reporting hostile forces falling back on Ibraila, may indicate that the easterly end of the line will be established at this important Danube river point, 25 miles south of Galata.

11,387 GERMANS CAPTURED BY THE FRENCH AT VERDUN SINCE DECEMBER 15

PARIS, Dec. 18, 2.10 p. m.—French forces have taken a total of 11,387 German prisoners on the Verdun front since Dec. 15, according to the announcement made by the French war office this afternoon.

A violent German counter attack on the Meuse has resulted in German forces securing a footing at the Chambrettes farm.

The text says:

"South of the river Somme a detachment of the enemy which was endeavoring to occupy our lines to the northeast of Berney has been repulsed with hand grenades. On the right bank of the river Meuse German forces delivered a violent counter attack yesterday evening upon our new positions. They succeeded, however, only in securing a footing at a point on the Chambrettes farm. We continue to hold the immediate surroundings.

"The number of prisoners taken by us since Dec. 15 on the Verdun front is at present, according to the latest counting, 11,387. In addition 115 cannon, 44 bomb throwers and 700 machine guns have been taken."

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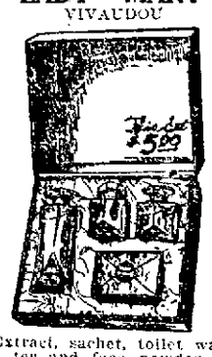

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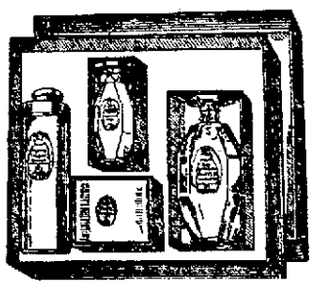

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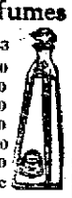

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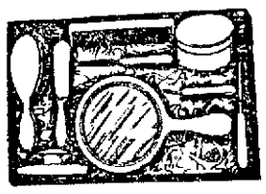

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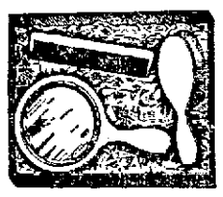

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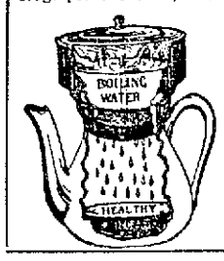

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TWO WEALTHY FAMILIES INVOLVED IN MURDER

SNYDER, Tex., Dec. 18.—Two families of wealth and wide social prominence in the southwest were involved in the killing Saturday of Edward C. Sims, a prominent cattle man. Sydney Johnson, a brother of Sims' divorced wife, Mrs. Gladys Sims, was arrested. Witnesses of the shooting told the sheriff yesterday that a dispute over the two Sims children precipitated the affair. Since Sims and his wife were divorced several months ago the children have been claimed by both father and mother at alternate periods. Sims recently married again.

Saturday Sims stopped his automobile in the business district near the car of his former wife and, it is alleged, tried to take the children from their mother.

Mrs. Sims fired several shots from a small pistol, witnesses asserted, wounding Sims twice. About the same time a heavy charge from a shotgun was fired into Sims' right side, causing almost instant death. Johnson later surrendered. Mrs. Sims was not arrested.

ST. PATRICK'S ACADEMY ALUMNI

An interesting meeting of the committee in charge of the annual reunion and banquet for the members of St. Patrick's academy alumni was held yesterday forenoon in the school hall in Suffolk street. Chairman John J. Flaherty was in the chair and matters of importance were discussed. Indications at this time point to a most successful event. Representative Dennis A. Murphy was chosen toastmaster of the evening, and among the speakers will be Mayor James E O'Donnell. The mayor is a graduate of the school.

FIRE CHIEF SAUNDERS INJURED AT FIRE

Fire Chief Edward F. Saunders was injured at a fire in the cellar of a building at 340 Market street about 6 o'clock Saturday evening when he stepped on a nail which imbedded in his foot. He will be on the injured list of the department for a few days.

The fire was in a block at the corner of Market and Worthen streets. The blaze started in the basement and when the firemen arrived there was a stubborn fire in progress and the building was filled with smoke. The upper part of the building was occupied by a Greek newspaper company and tenements. It at first looked as though a bad fire would result but prompt work by the department confined the blaze to the cellar.

LEAGUE TO ENFORCE PEACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Formation of a league of nations to insure lasting international peace following the termination of the present war was endorsed here last night in a speech by John Howard Whitehouse, liberal member of the British parliament. Mr. Whitehouse is here studying educational methods with a view of introducing them in England after the war.

"We must find a way to make this the last war, and the United States can be of great help in promoting this suggestion at the end of the war," he declared.

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EDWARD M. BOWERS DIED SUDDENLY

WELL KNOWN CENTRALVILLE GROCER PASSED AWAY IN BOSTON SATURDAY EVENING

The members of the Lowell Retail Grocers and Provision Dealers' association of this city and numerous other friends of Edward M. Bowers, a well known business man of Lowell, were grieved to learn of his sudden death which occurred in Boston Saturday evening, the cause of death being heart disease.

Mr. Bowers attended a meeting in

THE LATE EDWARD M. BOWERS

Boston Saturday evening and while returning to the North station on an electric car he was taken ill. He was removed to a nearby drug store and later while being removed to the City hospital in the ambulance, passed away.

Mr. Bowers was 56 years of age and was one of the best known grocers of the city, having for a great many years conducted a place of business in West Sixth street. He was a prominent member of Court Middlesex, F. of A., the Loyal Order of Moose, Lowell Nest of Owls, treasurer of the Lowell Grocers and Provision Dealers' association, president of the Reform club corporation and a member of the Holy Name society of St. Michael's church. He is survived by a brother, Joseph M. Bowers, four sisters, Mrs. Anna M. Doyle, Mrs. G. H. Webster, Margaret T. Bowers and Mrs. Lyman Barnes of Hinckley, Me. The body was removed to the home of a niece, Mrs. Charles H. Whitney, Jr., 72 West Sixth street.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

A largely attended meeting of the members of the Holy Name society of St. Michael's church was held last evening in the lower church and a feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Charles Burns, president; William Irvin, vice president; James Duddy, treasurer; Alexander Cryan, financial secretary; James Mullin, recording secretary, Rev. Francis J. Mullin, spiritual director.

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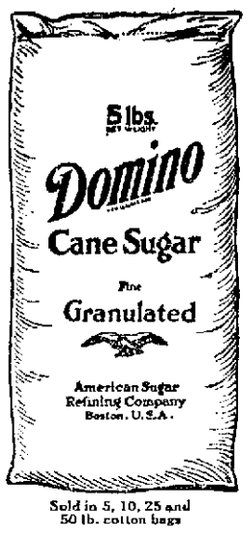

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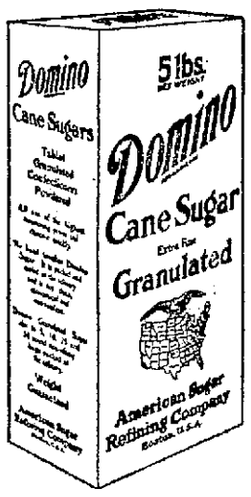

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

"Everyman's Castle," a powerful play of the present day which deals with the subject of birth control, is the offering of the Emerson Players at the Opera House all this week and the advance sale of seats indicates that the attraction will prove one of the biggest hits of the season. No doubt, there are many who will spend much of this week's time in shopping, yet in arranging your shopping tours do not fail to secure your seats early for the Opera House as this play is one that you cannot afford to miss. Seats can be secured by phoning 261.

This play is a brilliant one, indeed, coming from the pen of William Anthony Maguire, who also wrote "The Divorce Question" and "The Warning." While the play is intensely dramatic and there are many wonderful situations in the play, there is also a delightful line of comedy and from the start to the finish of the play there is not a single dull moment. And while the play treats with a delicate subject, there is nothing that will offend.

Miss Gladys McLeod, the clever young actress, who last week, when Ann O'Day was injured, played the leading role, will be seen in the character of Mrs. Brand, as Miss O'Day will be unable to appear this week, on account of her injured ankle. Miss McLeod is certain to give a wonderful performance. Ivan Miller, too, will be seen in one of the best characters he has played since the opening of the season. James Hayden and Helen Kinsel will be seen in splendid character roles, while Rose Morison, Millard Vincent and Gertrude Shirley are well cast in characters which they play finely. The scenic production, too, is exceptionally good.

Patrons should secure seats early and not wait until it is too late. This attraction is the best of all and theatre patrons for miles around will see this play. It is a punchy play and since its announcement there has been the greatest demand for seats for any attraction that has been given in this city in a long time. Get your seats now. Then you will not be turned away the latter part of the week like many others who will delay or hesitate in ordering their seats.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

A smack of the prairies is contained in the big singing and comedy act headed by Bert LaMont which will be the feature of the bill at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. Seven husky horsemen from the roundup will appear in this, although Mr. Lamont is naturally the particular star of the aggregation. The scene is a western plain in the early evening, with the members of the roaming squad gathering about the "church wagon" for a period of song. Mr. LaMont has a contra lyric tenor of specially good quality.

Clara Howard is a pretty young woman, who is most versatile, and who has a manner that is magnetic. Personality is her long suit, and in the group of songs which she will give this fact is demonstrated time and again. Her imitation of the early Charley Chaplin is one of the funniest things imaginable. Miss Howard is truly a star in her particular line.

For 15 minutes Al. Gerard and Sylvia Clark will give their feast of fun and song and dance. It is literally a picnic, with this youthful pair gamboling about in fetching attire. Miss Clark is surely vivacious, and Mr. Gerard is always funny and alert.

Wallace Bradley, the bicycle expert, has a new partner. She is Grette Ardine, and the two are doing a miscellaneous assortment of bicycling, dancing and fun-making. Bradley does a few things on the wheel which have never been done before, and Miss Ardine is as graceful as a gazelle.

Ellen Orr comes to vaudeville straight from musical comedy, where she was a prima donna. Harry De Costa, who was associated for a time with Grace LaRue, Adele Ritchie and Jack Norworth, is with her in their new big act. He is a pianist and has a reputation as a composer. Miss Orr's selections from "The Enchantress" are irresistible.

Trampoline and triple bar performers come and go, but the Thomas trio will go on forever, for no trio of actors in this line do as much that is dangerous, and do it so artistically as do the members of this trio. Their work is of the very highest order, both in originality and in execution.

Blanche Sloan, sister of the famous jockey, Tod Sloan, needs every bit of her exceptional muscular development to get her through her trying act of aerialism. Her feats are executed with grace and with agility, and while great effort naturally is exerted, it is not apparent to the onlooker. The Pathe News has become an established feature of the bill at every performance. Twice weekly news views from all parts of the world are shown. Good seats for all performances may be obtained in advance at the box office. 'Phone 28.

OWL THEATRE

Mme. Petrova, the favorite of hundreds of local theatregoers, will once more be seen here on today and tomorrow, when she will appear in the stellar role of "The Black Butterfly," the feature film which will head the big double Owl theatre program. This new Metro play is the one which caused so much favorable comment in New York last week at its first presentations, in fact the powerful manner in which it tells its story of love and the great war in Europe has made it the one big hit of the present season. Filled with deep heart interest as well as the terrors of war, "The Black Butterfly" is without a doubt the greatest motion picture production of this famous emotional star. The scenes of the play go from the theatres of Paris where "The Black Butterfly" has gained fame as an opera singer, to the battlefields of the Marne, where she later is seen in the role of a Red Cross nurse. How she, unknowingly, saves the life of the man who years before had ruined her, forms a climax, the like of which is seldom, if ever, seen on the screen. In the battlefield scenes the Metro has staged what might be called the greatest battle scene ever filmed. This scene is unusually dramatic and realistic, and shows the wonderful fight made by the French when they drove the invading army of Gen. Von Kluck back from the walls of Paris.

For excellence in the cast selected, it is doubtful if a better acted motion picture production has ever been presented than the Mutual masterpiece, "The Decoy," a powerful story of New York life, which will also be presented at the Owl today and tomorrow. Heading the cast of this stirring photodrama is Frances Nelson, one of the ablest and most popular of the motion picture stars, who has appeared with much success in a number of feature pictures and whose work has always attracted considerable attention for its sincerity and dramatic power.

Other high class photoplays will also be presented at the Owl today and tomorrow.

JEWEL THEATRE

Bluebird plays advertised in the Saturday Evening Post are a regular diet at the Jewel theatre. In the years that followed the kidnapping of one of the Marston twins by Hop Li, the boy was reared as a Chinaman and hatred of the Marston name was instilled in Chang's heart. Jerry Marston had played a mean trick on Hop Li, and he made kidnapping the infant his form of reprisal—until he settled the score, finally, by murdering the elder Marston. By that time Alvin had married and his twin brother, Chang, began putting into operation his own expressions of hatred for all the Marstons. The events resulting from Chang's activities have been formed into a gripping "mystery drama," and is shown today and tomorrow under the title of "The Sign of the Poppy," with Hobart Henley, playing the dual role of Chang and Alvin Marston, and Gertrude Selby impersonating the perplexed and persecuted bride. There are sensations galore in the passing events of this drama, and lovers of excitement and mystery will find this attraction to their liking. Other photoplays and amateurs Tuesday evening are also booked.

ROYAL THEATRE

A magnificent double program, in conjunction with the regular releases will be shown at the Royal theatre today and tomorrow. First star attraction is Madame Olga Petrova, the beautiful, in a powerful preachment of the habit of living beyond one's means, entitled "Extravagance," and the second is a smashing, stirring, patriotic six-reel melodrama called "My Country First," featuring a new screen star, Tom Terriss, whose dashing, attractive figure will be a welcome change on the program. "Extravagance," which on many occasions has been conceded the finest Metro picture ever released, gives Mme. Petrova another excuse to exhibit wonderful gowns and rich sceneries. She plays the part of an extravagant woman who ruins her father and husband in her race for fame as an entertainer on a lavish scale. A banker who is attracted by her beauty, ruins her husband to jail, and after this blow, the true nature of the spendthrift awakes. Becoming ambitious to make money she turns to the writing of scenarios and is thereby able later on to pay her debts, and incidentally prove her husband's innocence of the theft he was accused of. In this play, the spectator is introduced to a motion picture company's studios, where a scenario is seen acted out before the camera, thereby offering a fresh novelty unto a jaded public. It is a unique play, and with Mme. Petrova in the lead, and such players as Cooper Cliffe, Arthur Hoops, Mahlon Hamilton, the play is acted out with unusual force and realism. "My Country First" will prove a capital attraction for the patriotic, for it tell of the struggles of a young inventor to protect his country in case of war. A strong love theme is introduced in this photo-drama, in which a triangle of a man and two women, one good and the other an adventuress, forms a plot that for suspense and thrills outdoes the average picture stories. The regular releases bring some mighty interesting bits, among them a railroad story by Kalem. Remember the price of admission at this attractive theatre is ten cents for adults; kiddies, five.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

"Interesting in every scene" is what the patrons of the Merrimack Square theatre will say after seeing the shows there this week. And their decisions will be based upon fact for the two bills this week mark a step forward in motion picture excellence, two bills which will create a lasting impression on the minds of the theatregoers.

During the first half of this week diminutive Marie Doro will appear in the title role of the five-act picturization of Charles Dickens' immortal book, "Oliver Twist," which brought about more reforms perhaps than any other book ever written. This dramatization of this famous book of this famous author is nothing short of wonderful. The spirit of the author is preserved in every scene. The moral that Dickens would point out in his story is apparent. Sin and crime are not made attractive and much good comes out of a great evil. Parents should take their children to see "Oliver Twist". It carries a lesson to all besides being a genuinely interesting picture. All who have read the book at one time or other, and if there are a few who have not, they too should come and witness this play which brings out all the points in the strong Dickens' characters, and every incident in the play, as only motion pictures can. Marie Doro is suited ideally for the part, and as Oliver Twist she appears before the public with such realism that her genius awakens in the hearts of all who see her deep sympathy for this poor little boy, the troubles of whose trial and sufferings melted many an otherwise cold heart.

Balancing well with this great moral play is the six Charlie Revue which, with its comedy lightens the spirits of all. This is the greatest Chaplin feature ever produced as it combines in a most perfect manner three of Chaplin's famous successes "The Tramp," "A Night Out" and "His New Job" are woven together with consummate skill, resulting in a complete whole, which make the three plays as one, new yet closely familiar to all who have seen each of the three separately. It is the comedy hit of the year. Although these two bills features will be shown at each of the performances today, tomorrow and Wednesday, they by no means constitute the entire bill, for the latest Pathe News will be shown as well as a comedy and other plays.

Owl THEATRE
Today and Tomorrow

SPECIAL ATTRACTION

The Biggest Sensation of the Season

Mme. Petrova

The Famous Emotional Star, in the Greatest Metro Ever Released

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A wonderful film, telling the heart-stirring story of love on a battlefield, and of the sublime blood sacrifice made by a woman with a crushed soul.

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ALSO SHOWING ON THE SAME PROGRAM

FRANCES NELSON in "THE DECOY"

A Powerful Story of the New York Underworld

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B. F. KEITH'S

THE AMUSEMENT CENTRE OF LOWELL

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DIRECT FROM B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE, BOSTON

BERT LAMONT AND HIS COWBOYS

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THE MUSICAL COMEDY GIRL

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This Big Bill Today, Tomorrow and Wednesday

Marie Doro in "Oliver Twist"

Charlie Chaplin Revue

—COMBINING—

"The Tramp," "A Night Out" and "His New Job"

PATHE NEWS AND OTHER PLAYS

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BIG DOUBLE PROGRAM

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Five Acts of Superb Sceneries and Costumes,—and a Powerful Lesson.

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In 6 Smashing Parts

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Another Great Blue-Bird Photo Play—

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A story of Oriental Mysticism and Revenge, Starring Two Favorites

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of James Nelson, late of Lowell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by William Nelson and Susan M. Nelson, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.

Donahue and Donahue, Attorneys.
d2,11,18.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary P. Provost, late of Westford in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Henry W. Provost, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.
d8,11,18.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the next of kin and all others interested in the estate of Emma S. Olsson, late of Chelmsford, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Frederic A. Snow, the administrator of the estate not already administered, of said deceased, has presented to said court for allowance the first account of his administration on said estate and application has been made for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the next of kin of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifth day of January, A.D., 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by delivering or mailing postpaid a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate thirty days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.
d4-11-18

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Angie Doyle, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by James Edward Doyle, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A.D., 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

J. Joseph O'Connor, Attorney
d4-11-18

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed executrix of the will of Elias Severson, late of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Clementine M. Crossley, Executrix. (Address) 525 Beacon st., Lowell, Mass. Dec. 7, 1916.
d9-11-18

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Gertrude Sheldon, late of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Joseph E. Fiddis, Admr. (Address) Groton, Mass. Nov. 14, 1916.
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GEO. F. BAKER CALLED "WALL ST.'S BIG MAN"

Wall street and the other financial centres of America, while not hopeful of peace, felt the stirring that affected the rest of the world and the foreign exchange market reflected the increased chance of peace. A number of the belligerent exchanges, conspicuously German exchange as well as exchanges on some of the neutral countries, advanced in decided fashion. Should peace come soon George F. Baker of New York probably will be one of the leading figures in the financial reorganization to follow the war. By many he is called "Wall street's biggest man." Mr. Baker is chairman of the board of the First National bank of New York. This snapshot of Mr. Baker who is 76 years old, was made a few days ago.

◇ GEORGE F. BAKER ◇

WINTER WHEAT SOWN ON 40,090,000 ACRES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—American farmers, foreseeing a continued heavy demand on them from the warring European nations for wheat, planted an acreage of that grain this fall second in point of size in the nation's history but poor weather conditions sent the crop into winter dormancy two per cent below the conditions of last December and 4.5 per cent below the ten year average.

In summarizing its first report on the winter wheat crop, issued today, the department of agriculture said:

"The fall planting of winter wheat is reported to be 2.3 per cent greater in the autumn of 1915. The present area seeded, 40,090,000 acres, is the greatest ever planted with the exception of the 40,452,000 acres seeded two years ago and is more than ten per cent greater than planted in any year prior to the fall of 1914."

WORK OF RAISING THE LINER POWHATAN

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 18.—Wrecking tugs and barges today began the work of raising the Merchants and Miners liner Powhatan, sunk on Thimble Shoal Wednesday night after a collision with the British tanker Telena. Divers have completed the task of stopping up the great rent in the ship's side. The Powhatan will be raised with pontoons, pumped out and towed to the Newport News shipyard for rebuilding.

MAN SAVED FROM DROWNING

John Ross, 22, of Dedham, Rescued by Franklin Frazier, 19, After Breaking Through Ice

DEDHAM, Dec. 18.—The first skating accident of the season occurred here yesterday afternoon when John Ross, 22, son of Anthony and Mary Ross of Bullard road, Dedham, broke through the ice as he was skating near what is known as the one-mile post in the Charles river, and was rescued from drowning by Franklin Frazier, 19, of Bridge street.

Frazir, lying on his stomach, worked himself near the open water. At the same time Ross pushed himself through the thin ice until he could reach Frazier and after about 10 minutes' immersion in the water was brought to safety. He was taken to a nearby house, given dry clothes and appeared none the worst for his ducking.

BAY STATE AMBULANCE COMPANY RETURNS

BACK FROM MEXICAN BORDER AFTER ABSENCE OF NEARLY SIX MONTHS

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—The Massachusetts ambulance company, No. 1, the last detachment of the National Guard of this state to be ordered back from the Mexican border, arrived late last night. The company, comprising four officers and 79 men, had been absent nearly six months.

OPPENHEIM ORDERED OUT OF UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Dec. 18. Baron Robert Emmanuel Oppenheim, reputed to be a French and English financier, was ordered deported from the United States after a hearing before the board of inquiry of the bureau of immigration here today. He appealed immediately to the department of labor at Washington.

The baron's exclusion was directed, it was announced at the offices of the commissioner of immigration, on the ground that he had committed a crime involving moral turpitude.

Details as to the character of the alleged offense were withheld by the board, the explanation being made that information must come from the Washington authorities. It was understood that a charge against him is pending in the courts of France and it was presumed that the board considered his status as that of a fugitive from justice from a foreign country.

BRITISH IN SUCCESSFUL RAIDING OPERATIONS

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Successful raiding and airplane operations by the British on the Macedonia front are reported in today's official statement regarding operations in that war area. The statement reads:

"British troops successfully raided enemy trenches in the Haznatar district on the Struma front and at Brest on Lake Doiran, on Saturday and Sunday. Forty enemy dead were counted and prisoners also were taken.

"Our airplanes dropped bonds on the Tumba station and inflicted damage upon enemy transports on the Gievgeli-Chernitsa road."

STEAMER JUNO FLOATED

BRIGANTINE, N. J., Dec. 18.—The Norwegian freight steamer Juno, which came ashore off Little Beach, N. J., during the snow storm on Saturday, was floated today with the aid of several wrecking tugs. Apparently undamaged, the Juno proceeded to New York.

ELECTRIC CAR TIPPED OVER; 34 INJURED

FALL RIVER, Dec. 18.—An electric car containing 34 passengers tipped over on a sharp curve at the foot of Conanicut Hill in North Tiverton, R. I., yesterday.

Six of the passengers were brought to St. Anne's hospital here, where it was reported that the most seriously hurt was Mrs. Henry Borden of this city. Mrs. Borden has severe cuts and bruises on the head and body.

Others treated for injuries, cuts and bruises are Otis Hambly, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Sacks, Mrs. Minkin and Henry Borden, all of this city. The remaining passengers, who suffered minor injuries were sent to their homes in automobiles and carriages.

GERMAN BONDS UNDER REPRISALS ORDER

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Sir Samuel Evans, president of the British prize court, ruled today that German bonds come under the reprisals order and that German securities to the value of 30,000 marks which were seized while on their way in a letter to the State Commercial & Savings bank of Chicago, should remain in court as property of enemy origin until the declaration of peace or until dealt with as the court might direct subsequently. The securities were seized on board the Danish steamship Frederik VIII.

MELLEN TO BE CALLED IN RECEIVERSHIP CASE

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Charles E. Mellen, former president of the Boston & Maine, the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroads, will be called as a witness in the federal court here tomorrow in the receivership proceedings for the former road, according to a statement today by counsel for the Boston & Maine Minority Stockholders Protective association, which is opposing continuance of the present temporary receivership.

Mr. Mellen, it was stated, probably will take the stand during the forenoon and his testimony is expected to occupy most of the day.

DRIVING SNOW STORM

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 18.—Middle Tennessee was under a driving snow storm today which seemed to reach its greatest intensity at Nashville. Six inches of snow had fallen here by 8 a. m., and it was still falling. Street railway traffic is greatly impeded.

AN EXPERT ON COLDS

Comparatively few people realize that a cold is a signal of physical weakness.

To treat a cold with weakening physics, alcoholic syrups or drugged pills, may smother the cold but they also reduce the body powers still further and invite more serious sickness.

Scott's Emulsion has always been an expert on colds, because it peculiarly enriches the blood, quickly tones up the forces and strengthens both throat and chest. Try Scott's. Refuse Substitutes.

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If you desire, call at our store at 212 Merrimack St., up one flight, Wier Building. Wreaths from 15 cents up.

POPE NOT TO ATTEMPT TO MEDIATE AT PRESENT

ROME, Dec. 17, via Paris, Dec. 18.—Pope Benedict has no intention of attempting to mediate among the belligerents at present, according to a statement issued today by the vatican. The statement says that neither the pope nor the holy see has made or wish to make any comment regarding Germany's peace proposals and that therefore any announcements attributed to them are absolutely unfounded. It is added that the pope naturally has an ardent desire for peace but that he does not believe intervention at the present moment would hasten its conclusion.

The net result of several resolutions introduced in the chamber of deputies regarding the German peace offer and a prolonged discussion among the senators and deputies was the decision by the legislators that no peace would be accepted unless in accordance with national aspirations and the rights of peoples based on the principles of nationality. If such a peace is impossible to obtain diplomatically it was declared that it must be obtained by victory of arms.

SIMPLE FUNERAL FOR PROF. MUNSTERBERG

BODY TO BE CREMATED AND THE ASHES SENT LATER TO GERMANY FOR BURIAL

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 18.—A brief funeral service for Hugo Munsterberg, professor of psychology at Harvard university, who died suddenly on Saturday while lecturing at Radcliffe college, was held today from the Munsterburg residence in this city. The body was placed temporarily in a vault at Mount Auburn cemetery to be cremated in accordance with Prof. Munsterberg's wishes, and the ashes sent later to Germany for burial.

The service at the house was conducted by Rev. George F. Moore, professor of the history of religion, at Harvard, in English, and at the chapel, Rev. A. A. Berle, a former student, offered a prayer in German.

Classes at Harvard and at Radcliffe college were suspended for an hour as a mark of respect.

MAN WORTH $14,000 DIED OF STARVATION

WORCESTER, Dec. 18.—Thomas Monahan of North Grafton, 85 years old and reported to have $14,000 in savings banks, died today in Worcester City hospital from frozen hands and feet, and starvation. He was found yesterday in his cottage on Brigham hill in a mentally deranged condition by a neighbor who called to dig his home out of the snow drifts.

HURT HIS HAND

Harvey Greenwood of 96 Worthen street, was taken in the ambulance to the Lowell Corporation hospital this noon suffering from a laceration on the first finger of his right hand sustained at the Saco-Lowell machine shops.

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Important Sale Today

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Each of these Blouses delightfully new, fresh from its crisp wrappings, is displayed for its premier showing in the James Company Blouse Section.

The cleverest new style notes are expressed in the Venise lace trimmed pockets, pleated fronts, metallic embroideries and Roman striped collars and cuffs.

Materials include Georgette crepe and crepe de chine of excellent quality, in white, flesh or suit shades.

Another Big Lot of

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With our big buying power, our New York office has just taken all the $3.95 waists this manufacturer had. You will get the benefit. They will make beautiful Christmas presents.

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FURS

Very Specially Priced

Furs are supreme among Christmas gifts, other things assume second place before their luxurious, sumptuous beauty. From the items quoted below many valuable suggestions may be gleaned for holiday giving.

SEPARATE MUFFS

VERY SPECIALLY PRICED

Genuine Beaver Muffs	21.75
Black Narobia Muffs, melon shape	10.75
Gray Kit Fox Muffs	7.75
Black Narobia Muffs, pillow shape	7.45
Black Narobia Large Pillow Muffs	14.75
Natural Raccoon Muffs	16.95
Near Seal Muffs, melon shape	12.75
Natural Muskrat Muffs	10.75
Imitation Ermine Muffs	13.75

SEPARATE SCARFS

VERY SPECIALLY PRICED

Black Narobia Scarfs	5.95
Gray Kit Fox Capes	8.75
Taupe Fox Collar	18.75
Natural Raccoon Scarfs	13.75
Black Narobia Scarfs, long mantle shape	19.75
Near Seal Collarettes	19.75

CHILDREN'S SETS

Raccoon, Wild Cat, Tiger, Ermine, Squirrel, White Fox and Lamb ..... 2.75 to 9.75

PERFECTLY MATCHED SETS

VERY SPECIALLY PRICED

RED FOX SETS, large animal scarf and barrel muff, finished with head and tail 74.75

SITKA FOX SETS, whole animal scarf and round barrel muff 59.50

TAUPE FOX SET, long flat scarf and large barrel muff 86.75

BATH ROBES

Robes made of Beacon blankets, soft and warm, in different weights and patterns, both Indian and conventional designs. Specially priced 2.45, 3.95, 4.95

Robes for children, also of Beacon blankets 1.98

SILK UNDERWEAR SHOP

CAMISOLES

Charmingly Dainty

One can never have too many—and among these delightful styles, gift problems will find happy solution.

Washable Satin Camisoles

A whole table of white and flesh colored camisoles of washable satins; insertions and tops of imitation filet 45c

Crepe de Chine Camisoles

Flesh or white crepe de chine, daintily trimmed after the French way, with blue ribbons and fine lace 95c

Silk Underwear

For Christmas Gifts

Italian Silk Vests

Plain, hemstitched or embroidered styles, in flesh or white 2.95

Italian Silk Knickers

Elastic tops and garters, re-inforced seat, flesh, white and black, 2.95

Envelope Chemise

Flesh and white, crepe de chine, trimmed with thread lace and ribbons 2.95

Silk Night Robes

Flesh crepe de chine with tops of filet and valencienne lace and French roses 4.95

HOSIERY SHOP

Christmas Stockings

SILK, TO BE SURE

You cannot make a mistake in buying silk hosiery for Christmas giving. The woman who has ENOUGH silk stockings is still to be discovered.

Gordon Silk Hosiery

39c, 55c, 89c to 1.50

In all the popular colors; gold, ivory, fawn, maize, watermelon pink, battleship gray, bronze, suede, navy, sky, pearl, hague blue, tan, black and white. Packed in holy boxes for gifts.

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	29¾	28	28
Am Beet Sugar	98½	97¼	98
Am Can	52	50½	50¾
*Am Can pf	110¼	109¼	109½
Am Car & Fn	69⅛	68¾	69
Am Car & Fn pf	116	116	116
Am Cot Oil	50¼	50	50
Am Hides L Com	14	13½	14
Am Hide & L pf	70	69	69¼
Am Locomo	80¾	79	79
Am Locomo pf	106⅛	106⅛	106⅛
Am Smelt & R	108⅝	106⅞	107⅞
Am Smelt & R pf	115	112	115
Am Sugar Rfn	112	111⅞	111⅞
Anaconda	88⅞	86¼	87
Atchison	105	104½	104¾
Atchison pf	100¾	100¾	100¾
Baldwin Loco	69⅞	67½	68½
Balt & Ohio	85¾	85⅛	85⅞
Balt & Ohio pf	74	74	74
Beth Steel	57⅞	55⅞	57⅞
Br Rap Tran	83	83	83
Cal Pete	25⅝	23¾	24¾
Cal Pete pf	56¾	55	56¾
Canadian Pa	168¼	166	167½
Cast I Pipe Com	23⅛	23⅛	23⅛
Cast I Pipe pf	59⅞	59⅞	59⅞
Cent Leather	96½	93½	94
Cent Leather pf	114½	113½	114½
Ches & Ohio	67¾	66⅞	66⅞
Chi & Gt W Com	15½	15	15⅛
Chi & Gt W pf	43⅞	42½	42½
Chic R I & Pac	39¼	38¼	38¾
Chile	28	26⅞	27
Col Fuel	47½	46½	47
Consol Gas	133	133	133
Corn Products	24½	23⅞	24
Corn Products pf	111¾	110¾	111¾
Crucible Steel	69	66¾	66¾
Del & Hud	149	149	149
Del L & W	239	238	238
Den & Rio G	19	18½	18½
Den & Rio G pf	44½	43¾	44
*Dis Secur Co	33	31½	31½
Erie	37¾	36⅞	37
Erie 1st pf	51⅞	51	51½
Erie 2nd pf	42½	42¼	42¼
Gen Elec	173	171½	172⅝
Goodrich	66½	62¾	63⅞
Gt North pf	117	116⅞	117
Gt N Ore ctf	40¾	39¾	39¾
Illinois Cen	106½	106	106¼
Int Met Com	17⅞	16⅝	17¼
Int Mer Marine	37⅞	34¾	35¾
Int Mer Marine pf	106	103½	104
Int Paper	47	44½	46
Int Paper pf	108	104	106¼
Kan City So	27¾	26¾	27
Kan City So pf	60	60	60
Kan & Texas	13½	12	12
Kan & Tex pf	24¼	22⅞	23½
Lehigh Valley	81¼	80½	80½
Louis & Nash	134	134	134
Maxwell	62⅞	58¼	59¼
Maxwell 1st	73½	71	71
Maxwell 2nd	43½	40	41
Mexican Petroleum	101¼	97⅞	100⅞
Missouri Pa	19¾	19	19⅝
Nat Lead	63	61⅝	61⅝
N Y Air Brake	152	150	150
N Y Central	106	105¾	105¾
Nor & West	137	136	137
No Am Co	71	70	70
North Pac	110⅝	110	110¼
Ont & West	32⅞	31¾	31⅞
Pac Mail	23¾	22⅞	22¾
Pennsylvania	56⅝	56⅛	56⅛
People's Gas	106	106	106
Pitts Coal	46	44⅞	44⅞
Pressed Steel	76½	75⅝	76¼
Pullman Co	162	161½	161
Ry St Sp Co	54½	52¾	52¾
Reading	109¼	107¾	108
Rep Iron & S	81¾	78½	79⅝
Rep I & S pf	107	107	107
St. Paul	94	93½	94
Sloss-Sheffield	66¼	66	66
So Pac	98½	98¼	98½
Southern Ry	36¾	36¼	36⅝
Southern Ry pf	74	72	72
Studebaker	115⅞	111½	112¾
Tenn Copper	24¾	24¾	24¾
Tex Pac	21¾	20½	20½
Third Ave	50½	49¾	50
Union Pac	146¾	145¾	146
Union Pac pf	89½	89½	89½
U S Ind Alcohol	116	107	111
U S Rub	66¼	65	65½
U S Rub pf	112	112	112
U S Steel	104⅛	112¾	113
U S Steel pf	119⅞	119⅞	119⅞
U S Steel 5s	106	105⅞	106
Utah Copper	109½	105⅛	105¼
Va Chem	45¾	43	45
Westinghouse	55¾	54⅝	55⅛
Western Un	101¾	101½	101½

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RECOVERIES AT OPENING OF THE MARKET

POPULAR SPECIALTIES REGISTERED GAINS — SHIPPING SHARES WERE STRONG

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Resumption of operations today was marked by further material recoveries from last week's lowest levels, particularly in popular specialties, but an undertone of caution pervaded the trading notably speculative group.

Gains of one to two points were registered by Central Leather, International Paper, Lackawanna Steel, International Nickel and Colorado Fuel. Shipping shares were strong with coppers. Rails denoted further accumulation in the minor division. U. S. Steel opened virtually unchanged but soon receded almost 2 points and Industrial Alcohol was weak. Reactionary tendencies developed before the end of the first half hour.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 18. — Exchanges $415,805,142; balances, $27,305,833.

Gross Declines

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Metal and motor shares were sharply depressed during the noon hour at gross declines of 3 to 7 points. Heaviness in other parts of the list gave way to another rally and greater dullness.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 18—Minor advances were made in most of the local copper shares during the trading before noon today. Prices were shaky, however, and tendencies erratic.

Another Bear Drive

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Recessions of the first hour in which selling partook of another bear drive, wiped out practically all gains except in rails and reduced the average level well under last week's final prices. Alcohol was the most affected at an extreme decline of 9 points and other volatile issues reflected professional pressure. Offerings diminished visibly later with irregular rallies in the leaders and additional gains in low priced rails, notably Western Maryland, Wheeling & Lake Erie, Wabash, Chicago, Great Western and Missouri, Kansas & Texas. At midday another selling movement was witnessed. Bonds were firm.

Money Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Mercantile paper, 4 to 4¼. Sterling: Sixty-day bills, 4.71½; commercial 60-day bills on banks, 4.71¼; commercial 60-day bills, 4.71; demand, 4.75½; cables, 4.76 7-16. Francs: Demand, 5.84½; cables, 5.83½. Marks: Demand, 71¾; cables, 72. Kronen: Demand, 12¾; cables, 12⅞. Guilders: Demand, 40¾; cables, 41. Lires: Demand, 6.56; cables, 6.54. Rubles: Demand, 58¾; cables, 59½. Bar silver, 76⅝. Mexican dollars, 53⅝. Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

Time loans, easier: 60 and 90 days, 4¼ to 4½; six months, 4 to 4¼.

Call money, firm; high, 5; low, 3¾; ruling rate, 4½; last loan, 4; closing bid, 3¾; offered at 4.

Cotton Futures

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Cotton futures opened steady. December, 17.99; January, 18.06; March, 18.30; May, 18.46; July, 18.52; October, 16.65.

Futures closed easy. January, 17.76; March, 18.03; May, 18.21; July, 18.25; October, 16.46. Spot, quiet; middling, 18.10.

Closing Irregular

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Special stocks like Harvesters, Texas Co., International Paper preferred and Chile Copper were strong in the nominal dealings of the final hour. The closing was irregular.

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We the undersigned, wish to thank all our friends and neighbors for the kindness shown to us during the long illness and death of our dear wife and mother, also for the floral and spiritual boquets, especially the Hamilton Manufacturing Co., and the girls of the eighth grade of the Immaculate Conception school.

Mr. Patrick Corey and family.

BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany	174	174	174
Boston Elevated	78	78	78
N Y & N H	55⅝	54⅞	55¼
MINING			
Ahmeek	110	110	110
Alaska Gold	12½	12	12
Allouez	65	65	65
Algomah	1¼	1¼	1¼
American zinc	47½	46	46½
Arcadian	5½	5½	5½
Arizona Com	14⅞	11¾	11⅞
Butte & Superior	56	50	53
Cal & Arizona	80½	78	80½
Cal & Hecla	550	545	550
Centennial	19	18½	18½
Chino	58⅞	55½	57
Copper Range	70	68¾	69
Daly-West	2¾	2¾	2¾
E Butte	11¾	11¾	11½
Franklin	9¼	9	9
Granby	95	90¼	94
Greene-Cananea	46	45½	45½
Hancock	17¾	17	17¾
Indiana	4	4	4
Inspiration	59¾	58	58⅞
Isle Royale	36	36	36
Kerr Lake	4¾	4¾	4¾
Lake	13½	13	13½
La Salle	4½	4½	4½
Mass	15	14¾	15
Mayflower	3	3	3
Miami	40¼	39½	40
Michigan	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞
Mohawk	98	96	97
Nevada	26½	25¼	25¾
New Idria	15	15	15
Nipissing	9	9	9
North Butte	24½	23¾	24
Old Colony	2⅞	2	2⅞
Old Dominion	68¼	66¾	66¾
Osceola	95	91¼	91¼
Quincy	91½	90½	91
Ray Con	28¾	27⅞	28
Santa Fe	2	1⅞	2
St. Mary	96	93	94
Shannon	9½	9¼	9¼
Shattuck Ariz	28	27	27½
Superior	16	16	16
Superior & Boston	3½	5	5
Tamarack	45	43	45
Trinity	6¼	6¼	6¼
Tuolumne	2	2	2
U S Smelting	68¼	65⅛	66½
U S Smelting pf	52½	51¼	52
Utah-Apex	3½	3½	3½
Utah Cons	19	18¼	18¾
Utah Metal	6¾	6⅜	6¾
Winona	5	4⅞	5
Wolverine	48	48	48
TELEPHONE			
Am Tel & Tel	126⅞	125⅝	125⅝
New Eng Tel	124	124	124
MISCELLANEOUS			
Am Ag Chem Com	98	98	98
Am Ag Chem pf	102¾	102¾	102¾
Am Pneu	1⅛	1	1⅛
Am Pneu pf	8	7	8
Am Woolen	49½	47¾	49½
Am Woolen pf	95½	95½	95½
Island Creek Coal	67	66	66¼
Mass Elec	4⅞	4⅞	4⅞
Mass Elec pf	28½	28	28½
Mass Gas	96	95½	95½
Mass Gas pf	80½	80½	80½
Pond Creek	21½	20½	20¾
Swift & Co.	147½	146	146½
United Fruit	157	156½	156½
United Sh M	57¾	57½	57½
United Sh M pf	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞
Ventura	9	8¾	9

MAY "SPANK" UNIONS AND RAILROADS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Reports that railroad and brotherhood heads in peace conferences have planned to propose the repeal of the Adamson act and the substitution of a working agreement of their own making for it, yesterday aroused Representative Adamson, author of the law, to declare that congress would "spank both sides to the controversy if necessary."

Mr. Adamson, who is the house representative of President Wilson in railway legislation matters, is willing to co-operate in any plan employes and employers may evolve for the interpretation of his law as applied to working conditions, but will vigorously oppose repeal of it, and he thinks so will the majorities of both houses.

"Congress will not agree to any repeal of the Adamson law," he said last night. "The measure was passed in good faith and it is a constitutional enactment regulating hours of labor and not wages. Let the roads and their men settle their wage disputes.

"I hope that the negotiations between the railroads and their employes will result in an agreement which will not make further legislation necessary, but congress will see that the public gets a fair deal. If it becomes necessary to spank both sides, we'll spank them, though I hope that won't be necessary."

Representative Adamson looks optimistically, however, upon the efforts of the railroads, and brotherhoods heads to get together. He says the result of the presidential election made the employers more eager for peace than they were last fall and that the growing belief that the president stands for a compulsory arbitration law has put the brotherhood leaders in a conciliatory frame of mind.

PRESIDENT IS FIRM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Although President Wilson has received indirect information on efforts of the railroads and the brotherhood heads to reach an agreement, he plans to push his recommendations to congress for railroad legislation and expects action at this session.

Whether an extra session will be called if his program is not completed depends on the importance of any part of the program not acted on.

The president considers that satisfactory progress is being made and pointed out today that fears that the national government might seek to regulate other industries as it has the railroads, were unfounded.

AGED COUPLE FOUND MURDERED IN HOME

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 18.—Mr. and Mrs. John P. Becker, 85 and 83 years old, respectively, were found murdered yesterday at their home near Mason City, Ill. The couple had been shot to death and their home riddled with bullets. Bloodhounds are on the trail of the slayers.

The couple, said to be wealthy and the owners of 3000 acres of farm land, are reported to have hoarded their wealth since the failure of a bank several years ago. This money, together with $3000 rent money received recently, is missing.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Lowell people are to be given another chance to see that absorbing motion picture play, "Where Are My Children?" Every day this week this stupendous production will be shown at the Academy of Music, under new management. Tyronne Power will be seen in the leading role, supported by an all-star cast. The Universal Film Co has made a truly wonderful picturization of the dramatic story which contains a moral of appealing strength. The usual prices of 10 and 15 cents will be maintained for the feature, the first time Lowell people have had the opportunity of seeing the picture at these popular prices.

FOR BRITISH WAR LOAN

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, announced in the house of commons today that parliament before it was prorogued would be asked to pass a bill to authorize the treasury, if the house was not sitting, to issue a war loan. The bill said the chancellor, would not state the terms of issue and it did not imply that the loan would be issued; it merely would enable the treasury to issue the loan if it thought the time opportune.

It is hoped that parliament may be prorogued on Friday to reassemble early in February.

ON MACEDONIAN FRONT

PARIS, Dec. 18.—A communication given out this afternoon by the French war office on the progress of hostilities on the Macedonian front reads as follows. "There was a persistent fog Dec. 17 along the front in Macedonia and no occurrences of importance have been reported."

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PARIS SOCIALIST FEDERATION FAVORS RESUMPTION OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The socialist federation of the Paris district has passed a resolution almost unanimously giving favorable consideration to the possible resumption of international socialist relations. The resolution emphasizes the possibility of these relations with special reference to peace negotiations on the condition that clear proposals on an exactly defined basis be submitted by Germany and her allies.

The entente governments are invited in the resolution not to reject any peace proposals without serious consideration and to submit such proposals to the respective parliaments. It is argued that a summary refusal probably would be counted upon by the entente's enemies as a serious blow to the allies' cause and might diminish its moral force while increasing that of its opponents. It is further urged that the more the proposals of the central powers are inacceptable, the greater is the duty of the allies to denounce them to the world and to show by immediate counter proposals what they regard as the indispensable objects of the war.

WHITE PINE BLISTER DISEASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—White pine blister disease will be the principal subject for discussion by the American Forestry association at its national conference to be held here Jan. 15 and 19. Many foresters will attend to plan a combined fight on the disease which is said to threaten $363,000,000 worth of pine timber in the United States and state governors have been asked to send delegates.

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FRENCH ATTACK PUSHES BACK LINE DRAWN BY GERMANS AROUND VERDUN

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE, COMMANDING AT VERDUN AND MAP OF FRENCH ADVANCE AT VERDUN

The French attack at Verdun was on a front of ten kilometers or six and one quarter miles from Vacherauville to a point south of Dieppe. The attackers drove through the German line for a depth of about two miles, capturing more than 9000 prisoners and many guns, according to the reports from Paris. The shaded portion of the map indicates that advance. The ground gained in the great atack on Oct. 25 is also shown. The solid black line in the upper right hand corner of the map is the battle line last February when the Germans begun their Verdun drive Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany commands the German troops which have been atacking Verdun. The first atempts to capture the fortress last February met with a considerable measure of success, forts and fortified villages falling into the hands of the Germans, before the French were able to make a strong stand. Gen. Nivelle, recently selected to succeed Joffre as field commander in chief of the French, commands at Verdun. His new attacks are called an "answer" to the German peace proposals.

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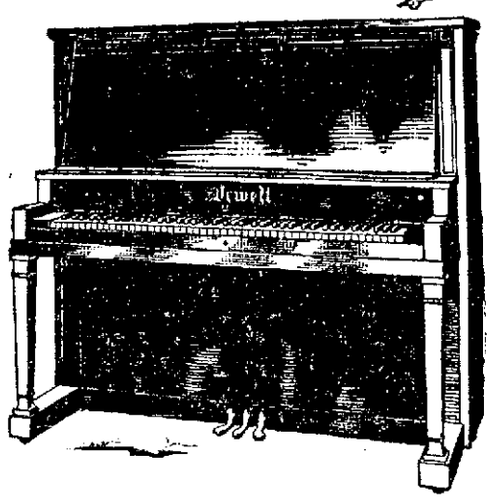
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LLOYD GEORGE TO MAKE SPEECH TOMORROW

LONDON, Dec. 18, 3.43 p. m.—Chancellor of the Exchequer A. Bonar Law definitely announced in the house of commons this afternoon that Premier Lloyd George would be present in the house on Tuesday to make his statement regarding the British government's policy.

PARCEL POST FROM U S. TO RUSSIA FAVORED

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Inauguration of a movement to have a parcel post system established between the United States and Russia was announced today by the Merchants' association here. At the request of business interests with houses in Russia, it was stated, such a postal convention was urged in a letter sent to William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce.

PLAN ORGANIZATION OF 200,000 COW OWNERS

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 18.—Secretary Richard Pattee, of the New England Milk Producers' association, today announced plans for meetings of milk producers in every country in New England to be held Dec. 20, which are expected to result in the organization of 200,000 cow owners.

After county organizations have been perfected the work will be carried into separate towns. It is expected to have the work finished by the time of the annual meeting in February. The object of the organization is to obtain full market value for dairy products.

LOCAL NEWS

In the list of floral offerings at the funeral of Edward A. Keleher, which took place Saturday, the following names were inadvertently omitted: Night shift of the U. S. Cartridge Co., class '13, St. Patrick's academy and William P. McCarthy.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Continued

or and present members of the municipal council are anxious to arrive at a definite agreement as to proportionate cost before the first of the year. He used many arguments to

STEPHEN KEARNEY, City Engineer.

support the city's contention, and in the course of the meeting the commissioners virtually agreed to his proposals. Messrs. Barlow and Cutting said that before the end of the week the commissioners will take a vote on the matter and will send word immediately to the municipal council.

Mr. Kearney stated that the city of Lowell would have to reconstruct First street even though the state boulevard were not contemplated. Traffic there, he said, is wholly unsatisfactory and it was only after long discussion and many surveys and personal investigations that the city and county agreed to the principle of the present plan for a new river road from Reed street to the Dracut line. The city had not gone quite as far as the county finally did in pushing the projected plans to the Dracut boundary, but he asked the commissioners to consider that Lowell had invited a heavy expenditure by approving of plans along the river bank instead of a line closer to the embankment. This action was taken, he said, in order that the road might be a real improvement and the county approved the lines of the road as laid down by the city suggesting a change in any important particular.

At this point he introduced many maps and blue prints to show the approved plans and he said that the city would be satisfied if the commissioners went on record as being willing that the county should assume the cost of 25 per cent of the foundation work up to the sub grade. He argued that the percentage basis would be better than one based on definite estimates, owing to the uncertainty that obtains as to land ownership, etc. The probability is, he said, that the city will seize the land on both sides of the projected road for park purposes. The length of the road link under consideration is 5200 feet. The entire cost up to the sub grade would be in the neighborhood of $40,000 and of this the county is asked to pay $10,000. The county will also have to pay 25 per cent. of the surfacing cost to the state and the city will have to construct the sidewalks.

Engineer F. H. Kendall said that, after consideration, the plans proposed by Engineer Kearney seem fair and reasonable and he referred the city engineer to the two members of the commission who were present. They expressed their willingness to approve of the plans presented by the city. Mr. Kendall borrowed plans and maps to show to Commissioner Gould and Commissioner Barlow stated that the definite vote of the commission would be favorable and would be sent to the municipal council not later than the end of next week.

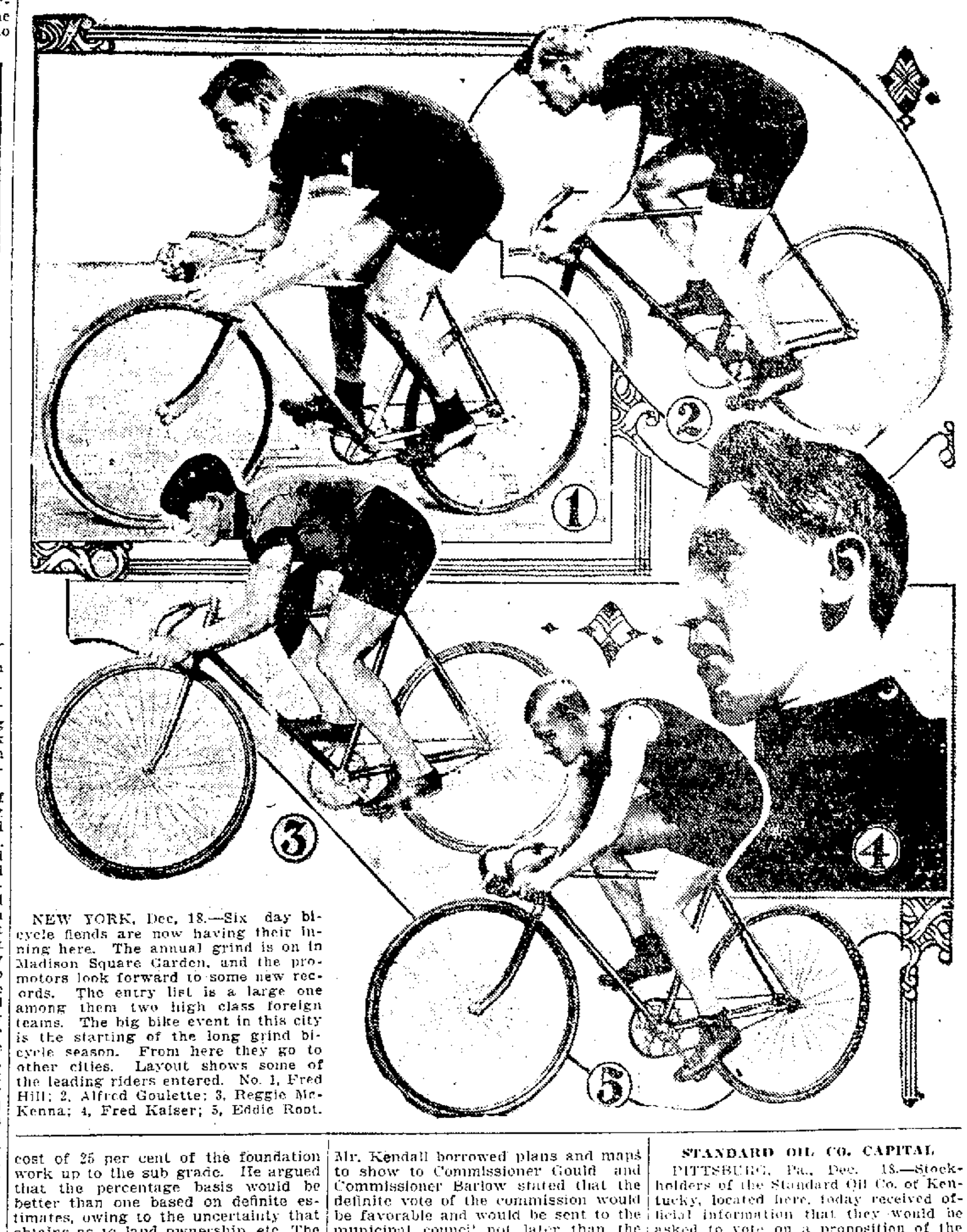
Westford Road

Before the hearing on the First street boulevard, a hearing was granted by the commissioners on the petition of residents of Graniteville for the relocation of the road from Westford Centre to Graniteville. It was the second hearing on the petition.

The Barlow Vote

County Commissioner Barlow received this morning from the probate court the formal notification of his definite vote in the last election. It was 73,439, which, he said, is one of the highest votes ever cast for a county office. Tufts received 66,000, and Clerk Dillingham, who had no opposition, received 65,000. The notification was signed by Judge McIntire, Frederick M. Esty, register, and William C. Dillingham, clerk.

ANNUAL BIG NEW YORK SIX DAY BIKE GRIND NOW ON



NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Six day bicycle fiends are now having their inning here. The annual grind is on in Madison Square Garden, and the promoters look forward to some new records. The entry list is a large one among them two high class foreign teams. The big bike event in this city is the starting of the long grind bicycle season. From here they go to other cities. Layout shows some of the leading riders entered. No. 1, Fred Hill; 2, Alfred Goulette; 3, Reggie McKenna; 4, Fred Kaiser; 5, Eddie Root.

STANDARD OIL CO. CAPITAL

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 18.—Stockholders of the Standard Oil Co. of Kentucky, located here, today received official information that they would be asked to vote on a proposition of the directors to increase the capital of the company from $3,000,000 to $6,000,000. A cash dividend of 100 per cent. is to be paid out of the company's $4,000,000 surplus.

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CREW OF NETHTIS REPORTED LOST RESCUED

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The 12 men thought to have been lost on the bark Nethtis, separated from the tug Garibaldi during a storm off the New Jersey coast on a voyage north from Brazil, were rescued yesterday by the Italian ship Sardegna which brought them to this port today.

Distress signals were observed by the Sardegna's lookout at 10 a. m. yesterday, when the Italian vessel, from Mediterranean ports, was some miles off Barnegat. A lifeboat was lowered and the 12 men on the vessel in trouble which proved to be the missing Nethtis were taken off.

The Garibaldi, towing the Nethtis, left Maranham, Brazil, on Oct. 31. Several times the line parted, but the tug succeeded in picking up the bark again until, with less than 80 miles of their 6000 mile voyage still to be completed the Nethtis was again lost on Friday. This time the heavy weather made it impossible for the tug to recover her tow and the bark's crew was given up as lost. The Nethtis was being brought north to be converted into a steam vessel.

The Sardegna abandoned her after removing her crew.

FORTY LOST OFF CANARIES

Spanish Steamer Pio IX. Wrecked in a Storm—22 of the Crew Are Rescued

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Eleven survivors of the ill-fated Spanish steamship Pio IX., wrecked in a storm and sunk several hundred miles off the Canary Islands on Dec. 5, arrived here yesterday on the steamship Buenos Aires. Eleven others were reported to have been saved by a French transport, while 40 of the crew, including the captain, were drowned. Nine of the men on the Buenos Aires were picked up from an improvised raft and two of them from a ladder.

But for two small electric flashlights, it was said, the men brought here also probably would have been drowned. The Buenos Aires, which had responded to an S.O.S. call from the Pio IX., failed in an effort to attach a line to the sinking ship owing to the heavy sea.

She was compelled to draw away for her own safety. All the lifeboats on the Pio IX., it was said, had been smashed in attempts to launch them. Night overlook them, the survivors said, as they were battling hopelessly in the raging sea.

A light flashing from the surface of the sea attracted attention on board the Buenos Aires. A boat was lowered and two of the survivors—a boy of 18 and the quartermaster of the Pio IX.—were picked up from a ship's ladder, with which they had leaped into the water. Soon afterward a similar light was observed and nine others were picked up from an improvised life raft.

A wireless message—the last from the Pio IX.—received by the operator on board the Buenos Aires later in the night, announced that the Pio IX. was sinking rapidly. The message closed with a "goodby." The Buenos Aires remained in the vicinity until daylight, but no trace was seen of the vessel.

ONLY THREE OF CREW LEFT

Five-Masted Schooner Marcus L. Urann Abandoned Waterlogged at Sea Near the Azores

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The American schooner Marcus L. Urann has been abandoned in a waterlogged condition, according to a despatch from St. Michael's, Azores, to Lloyd's. The despatch adds that three of the crew were landed at St. Michael's; the remainder were drowned.

MISS PANKHURST'S PEACE PARTY MOBBED

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Sylvia Pankhurst, the militant suffragette, and a number of sympathizers endeavored to hold a "demonstration" at the East India dock gates this afternoon to demand peace.

A big crowd assembled and mobbed the speaker. The police interfered and rushed Miss Pankhurst and her friends to the police station, followed by a demonstrative crowd.

The prisoners were held under bail for examination before a magistrate.

MISS PANKHURST SENTENCED

LONDON, Dec. 18.—An outcome of yesterday's attempted peace demonstration at the East India dock gates by Sylvia Pankhurst, the militant suffragette and a number of her sympathizers was the imposition today upon Miss Pankhurst and one of her followers of a sentence of 40 shillings fine or seven days' imprisonment for obstructing a highway. The sentence was imposed in the Thames police court.

Miss Pankhurst said police interference was responsible for the trouble.

Vocational School

There will be no evening school this week for the Women's Department. Sessions resumed next week.

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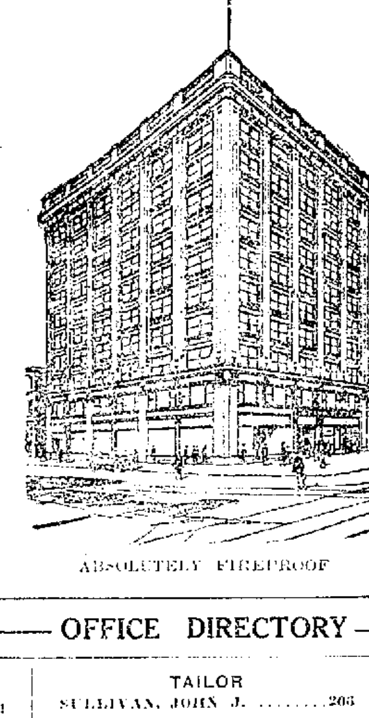

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MAN ARRESTED

Continued

joying a little exercise in the storm when arrested. It was his sixth offense and a three months' jail sentence was imposed.

John Milot, alias Blood, a young man hardly out of his teens, was arrested Saturday night for drunkenness after he had been engaged in a street fight. Milot had two suspended sentences facing him when his case was called. He said that he had been in New York for some time and came home to spend the Christmas holidays with the result that he ended up in the police station. After two men had spoken quite favorably of his character, the two old cases were placed on file and he was given another suspended sentence to the Massachusetts reformatory on condition that he leave Lowell at once and return to New York for a year.

Threatened to Kill

George Zaynski got drunk Saturday night and threatened to kill his brother-in-law with a knife. His brother-in-law got the best of him, however, and held him until the arrival of policemen. This forenoon the man who was attacked said that he was willing to forgive George of everything and did not care to make any complaint. A $10 fine was imposed as a warning against using knives.

Boy Was Discharged

Because his mother refused to allow him to go home, Joseph A. Silvest was found not guilty of being a stubborn child. The boy works and lives with an uncle at the present time. Mrs. Silvest complained that he would not obey her. Joseph agreed to go home and turn his weekly pay envelope over to his mother and when she refused to agree to this the court ordered the boy discharged.

An Appeal Taken

Rose Tully, the 18-year-old girl who was before the court Saturday for drunkenness, was today given an opportunity to choose between the House of the Good Shepherd in Boston and the reformatory for women at Sherborn. She refused to go to the home in Boston and when the reformatory sentence was imposed she entered an appeal. The girl was represented by George F. Tove, who said that the appeal was taken on the advice of a relative.

Took Jail Sentence

John Braddy who Saturday appealed from a sentence to the state farm, withdrew the appeal today and was committed to the Lowell jail for four months. Other drunkenness sentences were imposed as follows: Michael Brake, four months in jail, Sarah Cox and Mary Simoneau, three months in jail, and John St. John, five months in the house of correction.

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SWITZERLAND'S NEW PRESIDENT MAY FIGURE IN PEACE TALK

Should a peace conference be held in Switzerland, as has been suggested, the two men in the picture will play prominent roles. They are Edmund Schulthess, on the left, the new president of Switzerland, and Felix Calonder, on the right, the new vice president.

Mr. Schulthess has just affirmed the intention of his country to maintain strict neutrality.

"The policy of Switzerland," Mr. Schulthess asserts, "dictated by our traditions, our desires, even by our vital interests, is and will remain that of loyal and strict neutrality toward all the belligerents, a neutrality sustained by an immovable resolution to defended our integrity and independence against all comers. Any assertion to the contrary is quite without foundation.

"The econimic position of Switzerand is very complex. She is obliged, in order to exist, to work and maintain relations with both groups of belligerents. This is not done without misunderstanding, but I think I am not mistaken in saying that economic misunderstandings between Switzerland and France are on the point of completely disappearing."

DARKEST DAY IN THE HISTORY OF PITTSBURG

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 18.—Pittsburg today experienced what weather observers declared was the darkest day in its history. At 9 o'clock the streets were so black that electric lamps were ineffectual. All traffic was seriously impeded.

The local office of the weather bureau said the darkness was caused by a falling temperature. The fog, mingling with smoke from mills and factories, was held over the city, there being absolutely no wind.

SUCCESS FOR BRITISH

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The British forces on the Tigris front have improved their positions in the last two days although no resumption of offensive operations on a considerable scale is indicated in today's official report on these operations. The gains made below Kut-el-Amara last week were achieved with comparatively small losses the statement says.

RUSSIAN ATTACKS FAIL

BERLIN, Dec. 18, by wireless to Sayville—The Russians made an attack in Volhynia, in the region northwest of Lutsk, yesterday in an effort to recapture positions taken by the Germans. The war office announces that the attacks were without success.

ON RUMANIAN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 18, by wireless to Sayville—No change in the situation on the Rumanian front is recorded in today's communication from army headquarters.

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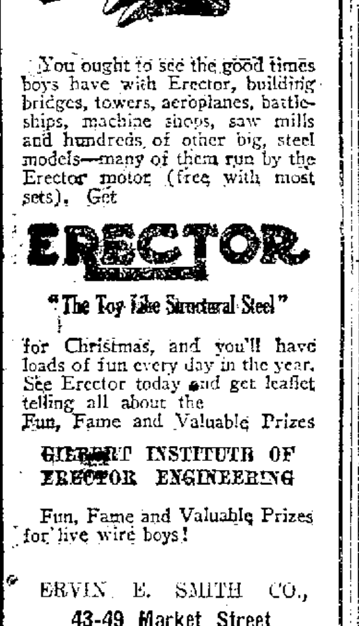

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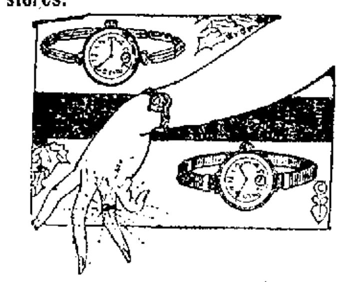

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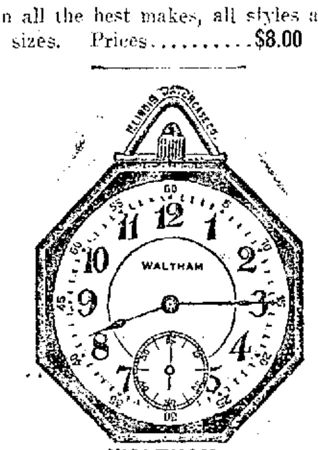

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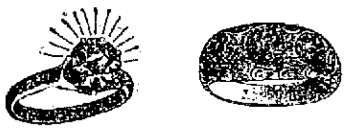

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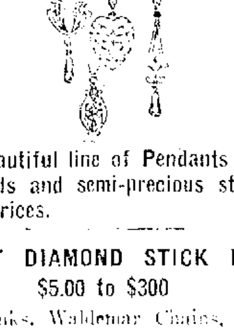

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THIRD WEEK OF TRIAL OF ALLEGED PLOTTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The third week of the trial of Franz Bopp, German consul general, and his co-defendants on charges of conspiring to violate the neutrality of the United States by interfering with the shipment of munitions to the entente allies, was resumed in the United States district court here today. Mrs. Mary Smith, wife of Louis J. Smith, the government's chief witness, is to be the first witness. The prosecution expects her to corroborate her husband's testimony concerning the dealings he is alleged to have had last year with the German consul general and his associates. Smith, who is one of the defendants in the case, was formerly an employe of the consulate, and with C. C. Crowley, a detective, is alleged to have been an active agent in the various dynamite plots. Although Vice Consul E. H. von Shack, Lieut. George W. von Brincken, Crowley and Mrs. Margaret Cornell have been implicated by Smith's testimony, Bopp's connection with the case has not been brought out.

United States District Attorney John W. Preston said he expected to show that Bopp was the only member of the consulate who could sign checks; that he signed checks at the time of an alleged payment of $1200 to Smith and $500 to Crowley, which Smith claims was made by von Brincken for the consulate, and that the checks will prove Bopp knew what was to be done with the money.

It has been alleged by the prosecution that a $100,000 fund was placed at the disposal of the consulate, for the purpose of impeding munition shipments to the allies.

FUNERALS

LEPINE—The funeral of Erastus Lepine, a call fireman, took place this morning from his home, 593 Bridge street. High mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Louis' church at 9 o'clock by Rev. J. B. Labossiere. The bearers were Gilbert Giroux, Thomas Allard, Capt. Joseph d'Amour, James J. McCarthy, Thomas F. Conway and Capt. Jas. W. Jantzen. Among the floral offerings were a pillow inscribed "Husband," the wife; pillow inscribed "Father," children; standing cross, Truck Co. No. 4, and tributes from W. S. Dynon, Misses Crowley and James Noonan. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Labossiere. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

McGRATH—The funeral of the late Patrick McGrath took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from his home, 88 Coburn street. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Francis J. Mullin. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Among them were a pillow inscribed "Father" from the family; standing wreath on base from the White family, and pieces from board of assessors, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Hogan, William J. Reardon, James H. Gilbride, Mr. Lawrence Cummings and family, Misses Mackin, Miss Maud McPherson, William J. Collins, Major Robert J. Crowley, Postmaster and Mrs. John F. Meehan, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Kerrigan, Mrs. Joseph Sharkey, Mr and Mrs. Wilfred Mulcahey, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Wilson, Mrs. Minnie Moran and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Morrissey, Minnie Freeman, Kittie Miskella, James A. Kenney, Mrs. Nellie F. Halloran, Mabel M. Tansey, Hector Labelle, Mrs. Elizabeth LeClair, the Small family, Mrs. Sarah J. McDermott, Catherine McKenzie, Bridget Salmon. The ushers at the house and church were Mr. John Salmon and Mr. Henry Gilbride. The bearers were Messrs. James Brosnan, Thomas Salmon, Frank T. Morrissey, James Healy, Lawrence Cummings and Chas. White. Interment was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal service at the grave. Funeral Director James W. McKenna was in charge.

MORRIS—The funeral of Mr. John Morris took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from his late home, 57 Whipple street. A funeral high mass of requiem was sung at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock, by Rev. W. George Mullin. There were numerous spiritual and floral offerings from relatives and friends including large pillow inscribed "Local, 101, M.P.B.C.N.A." from the Metal Polishers' union; wreath, Mr. Elias Hamon; wreath, The Sun composing room employes, and spiritual tributes from Miss Hannah Morris, the girls of the cloth room, U. S. Bunting Co., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Durkin, Mrs. Thomas Burns, Mr. John Morris, the Misses Martin, Miss Agnes Keville, Miss Frances A. Murphy, Misses Alice and Josephine Hayes, Misses Margaret and Mary McManus, Miss Mary Burns, Miss Alice Kane, Mrs. Daniel F. Murphy, Miss Nellie Keville, Valley family, George Neville, Josephine Stine, Nellie Dawson, Mrs. Catherine McGrade, Mary E. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Reidy, Mary E. Durkin, Mary McManus, Delia McManus, Fannie Tighe, Minnie Bushnell, Mr. and Mrs. James Durkin, Miss Madeline B. Lannan, Mr. and Mrs. James Hill, Miss Nellie Ryden, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Donnelly, John Morris, Mrs. Myles Burns, Mary E. Morris. The bearers were Michael Morris, Lawrence Kane, Daniel Donnelly, Elias Hamon, Thomas Durkin, Sr. and James Hill. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

FITZPATRICK—The funeral of the late Mrs. Susan M. Fitzpatrick took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Smith, 1221 Middlesex street, and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Patrick's church, where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Timothy Callahan, assisted by Rev. Joseph Curtin as deacon and Rev. James Kerrigan as sub-deacon. The floral tributes were beautiful and profuse. The bearers were Michael Monahan, Maurice Lyons, Thomas and James Doris. At the grave Rev. Fr. Callahan read the committal prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

TEUTONIC DRIVE ARRESTED

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Teutonic offensive in Rumania has been arrested by the Russian fire, the Russian war office announces. The statement as intercepted by the British admiralty and collected by the Wireless Press, was made public today as follows:

"On the Rumanian front, in the region west and southwest of Romanku-Sarat, our scouts made reconnaissances.

"In the region of the Filipeschi railway station and in the region of Ioh[illegible] the offensive of the enemy was arrested by our fire."

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SPECIAL XMAS DINNER BASKET NO. 1

4 or 5 lb. Roast Beef	.65
1½ lb. Ground Coffee	.13
2 lbs. Sugar	.15
1 Can Evap. Milk	.09
½ lb. Best Butter	.19
1 Loaf Bread	.10
½ pk. Potatoes	.22
1 Can Corn	.10
Total Value	1.63

Packed in basket containing the above items only. For 1.30

SPECIAL XMAS DINNER BASKET NO. 2

4 or 5 lb. Chicken about	1.00
1 Can Peaches	.12
6 Juicy Oranges	.11
1 pkg. Plum Pudding	.10
1 Can Tomato Soup	.09
½ Peck Potatoes	.22
1 Can Green Peas	.10
1 lb. Grapes	.15
Total Value	1.89

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SPECIAL XMAS DINNER BASKET NO. 3

4 or 5 lb. Roast of Pork about	.65
1 Can Tomato Soup	.09
1 Loaf Bread	.10
¼ lb. Good Tea	.10
1 Jar Jam	.10
½ lb. Best Butter	.19
½ Peck Potatoes	.22
2 Lbs. Sugar	.15
Total value	1.60

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N. B.—We have prepared the above list of Xmas Dinners to sell at cost. Remember your less fortunate friend.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT WORTH WHILE. YOUR CHOICE OF BEN HUR OR MUSKETEER FLOUR, BARREL, IN WOOD, $9

SAUNDERS' MARKET

FOOD RESTRICTION IN FORCE IN ENGLAND

TWO COURSES FOR BREAKFAST OR LUNCHEON AND THREE COURSES FOR DINNER

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The first food restriction went into force in England today. Hotels and restaurants are now forbidden to serve more than two courses for breakfast or luncheon and three courses for dinner.

Little inconvenience was experienced in connection with the two first meals. The Englishman's usual breakfast consists of a cereal and bacon, eggs or fish, and except in the more expensive places a luncheon of two courses is the rule. It was in arranging for a dinner of three courses that the caterers experienced the greatest difficulties, but even in this case few are likely to go hungry as hors d'oeuvres and soup count only half a course and for the two other courses diners have the choice of fish, entrees or roasts, with vegetables and desserts. Cheese with bread and butter or crackers is not counted as a course.

The meatless day which is expected to follow shortly will prove a more difficult problem for restaurants which make a specialty of roasts.

COMING TO STUDY OUR COMMERCIAL METHODS

PARIS, Dec. (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Next summer fifty young Frenchmen will be sent from France to the United States and Canada to study American commercial methods in large typical banks, factories and shipping firms, and to become acquainted with the American mind and its principal viewpoints. They will stay a month in the United States, visiting in banks, factories and shipping offices at New York, universities and spinning mills in Boston, lumber mills and tanneries in Montreal, canning factories in Chicago, the seat of government at Washington, iron and steel works of Pittsburg, the petroleum industry in Philadelphia, grain stores at Baltimore, and "culture in general" at St. Louis. Meanwhile 50 young Americans will be doing exactly the same sort of thing in France with a view of getting a notion about French commercial methods and French points of view.

A steamship company has agreed to charge only 1200 francs per student for the voyage to and fro, the families and towns concerned paying one-half and the chamber of commerce the other. The feeding of the youths and traffic arrangements generally will be undertaken by a travel agency.

The students in order to qualify for the trip must have the diploma of a commercial high school or agricultural college, and be able to speak well English and French respectively. The choice of the students in America will be made by the "Franco-United States" committee in connection with American chambers of commerce; and, correspondingly, in France. The French youths arriving in New York will be personally conducted in groups by expert instructors. Two French professors will guide the American students in France.

M. Guisthau, president of the "Franco-United States," as Frank Vanderlip is president of a similar committee in New York, tells the Associated Press that it is hoped to establish after the war institutes in France and America which will supply all necessary commercial information, display specimens of goods and in general promote reciprocal economic knowledge between the two countries.

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ITALY'S NEW WAR TAXES

ROME, Dec. —Italy's new war taxes, to be applied beginning next June, are expected to bring upwards of forty million dollars. The heaviest tax, apparently, is intended to fall on manufacturers of war supplies, to the extent of 60 per cent on profits earned over 20 per cent of invested capital. An additional tax of three-tenths of one per cent is levied on the foreign companies doing business in Italy.

Another heavy tax falls on property owners. A direct tax of 5 per cent monthly is to be paid by owners of apartment and tenement houses, or on rented houses. A small direct tax is imposed on all soldiers and officers who, though mobilized, do not form part of the active fighting troops, and another tax is imposed on men who perform no military duty because of ill-health or other reasons.

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DECEMBER

Sun.	Mon	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
5.28	6.50	2.55	3.33
6.25	7.26	6.00	7.03
6.47	7.30	z6.35	8.17
b6.38	7.53	7.13	8.24
6.57	8.00	7.45	8.31
7.21	8.05	nb8.21	9.34
s7.28	8.46	8.45	9.49
7.56	8.37	9.00	9.39
8.56	9.37	9.30	10.09
nb9.22	10.35	11.30	12.09
9.37	10.25	12.30	1.08
10.19	11.25	h1.05	1.58
10.35	11.40	2.00	3.10
11.05	11.45	3.00	3.47
12.15	1.06	b3.44	5.00
z1.27	2.40	4.00	4.39
1.50	2.30	s4.14	5.34
2.30	3.27	5.00	5.39
b3.30	4.10	b5.21	6.37
3.55	4.35	5.38	6.29
4.15	5.26	b5.51	7.10
5.25	6.09	6.14	7.23
5.36	6.30	6.00	6.38
b6.02	7.16	8.30	9.08
6.22	7.05	9.50	10.45
8.15	8.57	10.30	11.37
9.45	10.31	11.40	12.36

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.35	7.36	9.15	10.33
7.54	8.45	10.50	11.53
9.40	10.53	11.50	12.55
10.59	12.07	3.30	4.41
12.05	1.13	5.14	6.13
3.42	4.41	6.03	7.06
5.14	6.44	6.40	7.57
7.07	6.15	9.49	11.14
10.15	11.38		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.30	12.09
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.69
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.10	6.00	8.00	8.38
6.28	7.10	8.30	9.08
8.13	8.57	8.20	10.25
8.45	9.53	10.29	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
8.50	5.06	3.20	4.45
6.45	7.00	5.20	6.36
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

b Via Bedford. s Via Salem Jct. z Via Wilmington Jct. n not run on Holidays. h Saturdays only.

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1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

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7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

LOST AND FOUND

BROWN POCKETBOOK containing sum of money lost Monday morning between Woolworth's and Harmon's. Reward at 26 Hampshire st.

POCKETBOOK lost containing sum of money, between Prince's store and Page's. Reward for return to 183 School street.

SUM OF MONEY lost the first of the week by a woman who needs it very badly. Finder please write F 82, this office.

HANDBAG, containing money and keys, lost Saturday afternoon near corner Clark and Willie sts. Return to 632 Suffolk st.

POCKETBOOK containing sum of money found Dec. 10 in Owl theatre. By identifying and paying for this ad. owner may have property. Call evenings, 67 New Spaulding st.

BLACK SATIN BAG containing money and rosary lost in the North Chelmsford car, Friday afternoon. Return to 380 Middlesex st. or tel. 2856-J. Reward.

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PRINTING PLANT for sale, in first-class condition, with 2 job presses. Owner will teach buyer how to make $20 to $30 a week. Poor sight reason for selling. Call Tel. 4713, Durand.

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TENANTS wanted for Post 120, G. A.R. hall, 202 Merrimack st., second and fourth Monday evenings, second and fourth Tuesdays, first and third Wednesdays and every Friday evening. Inquire of janitor, or C. H. Flanders, trustee, at the hall.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of William Mitchell, late of Dracut in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate not already administered of said deceased, to Thomas J. Mitchell of Waltham, in the County of Middlesex, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-eighth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d11,18,26.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Gertrude J. Webster of Cambridge, in said County, that she was lawfully married to William F. Webster, now of Erie, State of Pennsylvania, at Boston, in our County of Suffolk, the fifteenth day of July A. D. 1905, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said William F. Webster lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Cambridge, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said William F. Webster, being wholly regardless of the same, at said Cambridge on or about the third day of April A. D. 1906, utterly deserted the libellant, and said utter desertion has continued for more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Second:—said William F. Webster, being of sufficient ability, grossly, wantonly and cruelly refused and neglected, and still refuses and neglects to provide suitable maintenance for the libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said William F. Webster. Libellant prays that she may be permitted to resume her maiden name of Gertrude J. MacDonald.

Dated this fifth day of December A. D. 1916.

GERTRUDE J. WEBSTER.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court. December 6, A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

d7,11,18.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate not already administered of James Howe, late of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Esther M. Small, Admx. (Address) 13 Fairmount Avenue, Somerville. December 8, 1916.

d9-11-18

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate not already administered of Robert Howe, late of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Esther M. Small, Admx. (Address) 13 Fairmount Avenue, Somerville, December 8, 1916.

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Augusta P. Scott of Lowell, in said County, that she was lawfully married to Rufus H. Scott, alias Rufus Scott, now of Dorchester, in the County of Westmoreland, in the Province of New Brunswick, Dominion of Canada, at River Philip, N. S. Canada, on the twenty-fifth day of June A. D. 1890, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Rufus H. Scott lived together as husband and wife in N. S. to wit, at Southampton, Sheet Harbor, and said River Philip until Feb. 1, 1911, since which date your libellant has, in good faith, lived in this Commonwealth to wit, at said Lowell, being more than five years last preceding the filing of this libel, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Rufus H. Scott, being wholly regardless of the same, at said River Philip on or about Feb. 1, 1911, and at divers other times and places, before that date, has beat, bruised and ill-treated your libellant and designing and intending to cause her great mental pain, has maltreated and wantonly assaulted her children and by acts and threats of violence has cruelly and abusively treated your libellant, thus rendering her life with him unsafe and unbearable.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Rufus H. Scott, and that she may be given the care and custody of their minor children, whose names and ages are as follows: Ella M. Scott, 17 years, Arpelia L. Scott, 13 years, Olive L. Scott, 10 years, Frank O. Scott, 8 years.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of November A. D. 1916.

AUGUSTA P. SCOTT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, December 6, A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

d7,14,18.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Kazimierz Zyla, of Lowell, in said County, that he was lawfully married to Mary Zyla, whose present whereabouts are unknown to your libellant, at Pantalowice, Austria, Galicia, on the tenth day of February, A. D. 1895, but your libellant and the said Mary Zyla never lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, but did live at Pantalowice, Austria, for a period of about six years after marriage. Your libellant has lived in this Commonwealth for five years last preceding the filing of this libel and that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Mary Zyla, being wholly regardless of the same, at Pantalowice, Austria, Galicia, utterly deserted your libellant and your libellant represents that said utter desertion has continued for a period of more than ten consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellent and the said Mary Zyla.

Dated this fifth day of December, A. D. 1916.

KAZIMIERZ ZYLA.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, December 8, A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

George H. Allard, Attorney.

d9-13-18

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Catherine M. Mahoney, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Mary J. Mahoney, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d5-12-18

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Antonina Szatt, of Lowell, in said County, that she was lawfully married to John Szatt, now of New Boston, Pennsylvania, at Lowell, on the eleventh day of June, A. D. 1916, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said John Szatt lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at Lowell, for a period of one month. Your libellant has lived in this Commonwealth for more than three consecutive years last preceding the filing of this libel; that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said John Szatt, being wholly regardless of the same, at Lowell, was guilty of cruel and abusive treatment toward your libellant on divers occasions, and further that the said John Szatt being of sufficient ability grossly, wantonly and cruelly refuses and neglects to provide suitable maintenance for your libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said John Szatt.

Dated this fourteenth day of October, A. D. 1916.

Her
ANTONINA X SZATT.
Mark

Witness to mark, George H. Allard.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, December 8, A. D. 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

George H. Allard, Attorney.

d9-13-18

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the devisees under the will—and all other persons interested in the estate of Charles L. Harmon, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Lenora E. Harmon and Charles F. Harmon, executors of the will of said deceased, have presented to said Court their petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioners are ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any one can not be so found, by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d9-11-18

LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Tom K. Watson, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Viola E. Blaisdell, of said Lowell, dated July 8, 1911 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book 470, Page 176, which mortgage deed was assigned by Gideon C. Webster, executor of the will of Viola E. Blaisdell, to Walter H. Blaisdell by assignment dated October 19, 1916, and recorded in said Registry, Book 562, Page 452, will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage deed on the premises hereinafter described on Friday, the fifth day of January 1917, at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described substantially as follows:

A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on the westerly side of Barclay Street in said Lowell, and thus bounded and described: beginning at the northeasterly corner of said premises at a stone bound at land now or formerly of Paris K. Taylor; thence southerly by said Barclay Street thirty-four (34) feet to a hub at land now or formerly of one Felch; thence westerly on land of said Felch eighty (80) feet to a hub; thence northerly by land now or formerly of Cyrus P. Barclay seventeen (17) feet two (2) inches to a stone bound at land of said Taylor; thence easterly on said Taylor land eighty-seven (87) feet and six (6) inches more or less to the point of beginning. No fence shall ever be erected upon the southerly side of the premises over four feet high extending back sixty feet from said Barclay street. Being the same premises to said Tom K. Watson conveyed by Lurinda A. Russell by deed dated August 1, 1907, and recorded in said Registry, Book 407, Page 323.

The above described premises will be sold and conveyed subject to any and all unpaid taxes, municipal or other assessments and tax sales which may be due or to become due thereon. The purchaser will be required to pay $300 in cash at the time and place of sale and the balance in ten days from the day of sale at 12 o'clock noon.

WALTER H. BLAISDELL,
Assignee and present holder of said mortgage.

d14,18,25.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Cyrus G. Hatch, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Harold A. Varnum, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-seventh day of December, A. D., 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d 15-18-26

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Elizabeth N. Gage, late of Lowell in said County, deceased:

Whereas, John B. Fairbairn, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-second day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.

d7,11,18.

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss., Probate Court.

To the devisees under the will and all other persons interested in the estate of Nora Cunniffe, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased. Whereas Patrick J. Cunniffe, administrator with the will annexed of the estate not already administered of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of legacies and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-eighth day of December, A.D., 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the estate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d16-18-25

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next to kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary E. Kelly, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Sarah A. Kelly, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of January, A.D., 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, fourteen days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d16-18-25

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of Wilfred J. Lincourt, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas Marie Lincourt, administratrix of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court her petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County, on the nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the estate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

d9-11-18

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BOSTON POLICE STATION WRECKED BY DYNAMITE

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—An attempt to blow up police station 8, the quarters of the harbor police at Battery and Commercial streets, at 8.40 yesterday morning, wrought wholesale damage to surrounding dwellings and brought death close to the bedsides of scores of sleeping children, women and men in the populous tenements clustered 15 feet away, across Salutation street at the rear.

A dynamite bomb placed against the rear wall of the police station plowed a gaping hole bigger than a hogshead through four feet of solid masonry in that direction, and bombarded the slumbering tenants of the Latin quarter opposite with a shrapnel blast of broken bricks, shattered granite from the station's foundation, and hurtling scraps of iron and steel from the bomb itself.

Two suspects were arrested late last night in connection with the bombing. Their names were withheld until further investigation of their possible connection with the plot has been made.

The pair were taken into custody by Officer Ferrari of the Hanover street station, who had shadowed them for several hours. Information volunteered to the officer led to his shadowing them.

Whole Section Shaken

Like the discharge from the crater-mouth of a modern howitzer, the blast of stone and metal struck the brick walls of the dwellings across the narrow, alley-like street. The walls withstood the assault, but the missles burst through the windows sweeping them clean of glass sash and curtains.

The terrific force of the explosion drove the odd assortment of shrapnel upward through two ceilings and floors, through dozens of inhabited chambers and living rooms on first and second floors, before their course was spent in rooms on the third story.

Suspect I.W.W.'s Hand

Luckily, no one was killed, though several persons, police and civilians, were hurt—cut by showers of flying glass or other debris, or severely jolted by being hurled from their beds by the concussion, which was of almost earthquake proportions in the immediate vicinity.

The identity of the bombers is a mystery. Police suspicions, however, leaned toward I.W.W. sympathizers, because of recent clashes between police and friends of that organization in North square. Shots were exchanged and knives were used when the police dispersed an open-air meeting there a week or so ago. Since the rumors of threats against the police have reached their ears.

Saw Three Men Fleeing

The only clue to the perpetrators of the dynamiting is furnished by two women of the bombarded tenements who say that when they reached the street immediately after the explosion they saw the skulking forms of three men fleeing through the haze of smoke and flying debris in the direction of the waterfront.

To urge the search for the bombers, Mayor Curley last night offered a reward of $100 for their apprehension and conviction.

The evident attempt of someone to wreak vengenance on the police, miscarrying by a narrow margin, came even closer to causing wholesale deaths among the sleeping hundreds in nearby dwellings.

Scores of persons in an area for blocks around the scene of the explosion were hurled from their beds, showered and cut by the flying glass from shattered windows and other debris. Hundreds of people were sleeping in the danger zone.

Three harbor police officers, who were asleep on the second floor of the station house, directly above the spot where the bomb exploded, were thrown out of bed and cut by glass from the broken windows, while the officer in charge, Sergt. Abraham L. Killam, was knocked down. He fell into the chair by his desk, in which he was about to sit, and lay there dazed for several minutes. His three subordinates, asleep upstairs, were Officers Herbert L. Cross, Francis S. Duffin and John C. Williams. An unknown man crossing the street in front of the police station was knocked flat. It was several minutes before he revived and picked himself up.

Thought City Was Shelled

As soon as they could recover from their daze, the hundreds of rudely-awakened men and women, scantily clad, rushed from the tenements into the street, shouting and screaming. Children added their cries to the din.

Some thought an earthquake had shaken the city; others feared a big boiler explosion; some even shouted in their terror that a foreign foe was shelling Boston from the harbor. The streets were choked with the panic-stricken throng seeking safety.

Narrow escapes were reported on every side. In one tenement house, directly across Salutation street from the spot where the bomb exploded, a 4-year-old child, asleep in a crib in front of a window through which swept a portion of the blast, escaped unscathed. A 69-year-old widow was hurled from her bed to the floor of her chamber on the first floor of a house 100 feet away. She escaped serious injury.

It was an hour before the squads of police from station 1, who had rushed to the scene, were able to quiet the frightened multitude, and restore order so that the cause of the explosion could be investigated.

Felt in Charlestown

The bomb exploded at 8.40 o'clock, when the whole neighborhood was quiet. The report awakened sleepers even in Charlestown and East Boston. Those who heard it plainly describe it as a sharp, cracking noise, followed by a roar.

Then came the rattle and crash of the rent masonry, snow, ice, stones, iron and steel against the walls of surrounding buildings. Buildings shook on their foundations. The dwellings directly across Salutation street received the worst bombardment. A half dozen brick tenement houses there along a front of 60 feet got the centre of the blast. Windows were swept clear of glass and sash as the flying charge crashed through.

Fully a hundred sleepers on the two lower floors of those six houses were showered with missiles. Glass, rock and metal cut their faces and hands or bare feet as they were thrown out of beds to the floors. Dust filled their eyes and blinded them as they tried to scramble out to the street. Night lights had been blown out and they groped in darkness and dust for exits. Some did not wait to make their way to doors but leaped through the shattered windows to the street, bruising their bare feet and scantily clad limbs on the pavements.

Feared Another Explosion

It was some time before Sergeant Killam and his three officers recovered from their daze and rushed outside to check the panic, but officers from station 1, who had heard the report of the explosion, were quickly on the scene. Patrolman Timothy Murphy, an old Georgetown University football star, who was standing at the west end of Salutation street when the bomb exploded, was first on the scene, but Sergeant Cornelius Donovan and other officers were soon there. They set to work roping off the danger zone and quieting the panic-stricken tenants.

A pall of dust hung over the neighborhood for nearly a half hour in the dead morning air, making the work difficult. The officers proceeded with caution, fearing another explosion might occur. The injured were attended to as fast as possible.

One of the first to apply for first aid was Filberto Blondon of 39 Salutation street. His face was badly cut by a flying brick as he lay in bed in a chamber about 20 feet from the spot where the bomb exploded. His wife, lying at his side, escaped injury, but scores of others displayed cuts and lacerations received from jagged bits of granite, masonry and broken glass.

Examination of the damage by Capt. Daily and Lieut. Perry after the panic had been checked revealed a jagged hole piercing the wall of the police station near the southwest corner on Salutation street. The breach was three feet in diameter. Granite slabs of the foundation, three feet thick, and another foot of brick and mortar had been penetrated. The corner roll in the basement was filled to the street level with debris. Most of the windows in the building were shattered.

More than 1000 windows in surrounding buildings were broken. Outside walls on Salutation street were pitted with the marks of flying metal and rocks. Much of the furnishings in 25 tenement houses was wrecked.

EAGLES, NOTICE

The next regular meeting of Lowell Aerie will be held Monday evening, Dec. 18, 1916, in Eagles hall, at 7.45 o'clock. Per order

PATRICK J. McCANN,
Worthy President.
JOHN M. HOGAN,
Secretary.

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AN EARLY SELECTION IS WISE AND AVOIDS THE RUSH

GENERAL STRIKE TO PROTEST FOOD PRICES

MADRID via PARIS, Dec. 18.—A 24-hour general strike called by the labor organizations as a protest against the increased price of food takes place tomorrow throughout spain. Factories any many offices will be closed and no newspapers published. The authorites have posted notices appealing to the good sense of the public to maintain order and announcing that any disturbances would be vigorously dealt with.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS ON DECREASE

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Notwithstanding a very general impression that automobile accidents have increased very rapidly during the past year, Chairman Sohier of the Massachusetts highway commission declares that the number of fatal accidents occurring in this state has been less, in proportion to the number of cars registered, than it was during 1915. It should be borne in mind that this year the highway commissioners have registered more than one hundred thousand cars—an increase of more than twenty-five per cent. over 1915—yet in spite of this increase the fatal accidents are very few more than last year.

Another interesting fact is that in a majority of the fatal accident cases the evidence obtained by the commission and its investigators indicated that the auutomobile operator was not seriously at fault; that is, there was not sufficient blame attached to the operator as would warrant the commission in revoking his license.

Following each fatal accident in Massachusetts in which an automobile is involved, the commission sends out an investigator, who reports all the ascertainable facts. If the report indicates that the operator was in any degree at faults, the commission gives him an opportunity to appear before it and tell his story, the burden in every case being upon the operator to prove that he was blameless. As stated above, in a majority of the fatal cases the commission has been satisfied that the operator could not be charged with failure to exercise due care, and in a very large percentage of those in which blame was attached to the operator the commission found there was contributory negligence on the part of the victim.

As has been the case nearly every year since it was given jurisdiction over automobiles and operator, the Massachusetts commission has taken away more licenses this year than any other similar board in any state in the country; in fact, there are very few states which attempt to control automobile operation in any way other than by prosecution in the courts for improper driving. Even New York state has no statutory provision under which a reckless operator may be punished, and so long as he is not punished by the criminal courts he is not held accountable for his acts.

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WOMEN'S SKIRTS TO BE SHORTER AND TIGHTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Women's skirts are to be shorter, and what is left will be more clinging than ever.

This is the edict of the designers' association, which held its fashion revue in the Lasalle hotel, where live models paraded up and down the elevated platform, displaying the new garments.

Approximately three inches are to be lopped off the skirts, which will bring them perilously close to the knees of the wearer. The flares and wide tucks prevailing this season will be abandoned and the new skirts will cling very close. This means the women will wear even higher shoes than at present, right in the face of predictions that good shoes will cost $20 and $30 by next spring. Chicago women are now paying up to $14 and $20 for stylish shoes.

Evening gowns will be cut very low and will be practically skin tight, there will be plenty of color in garments of all kinds, even some of the filmy evening garments being constructed of iridescent hues and garnished with glittering gems and passementerie in new colors.

RADIUM NOT CANCER CURE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18. After exhaustive tests upon rats, mice and guinea pigs, the use of radium as a cure for cancer and tumors has been found to be a failure, according to the annual report of Dr. Francis Carter Wood, head of the Crocker cancer research fund of columbia university, made public last night.

For cases on which operation is not possible, radium is successful as a palliative only, the report states.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

WANT EXECUTIONS ALL OVER BY CHRISTMAS

CONDEMNED YOUTHS ASKED THAT DEATHS BE HASTENED—SEEK TO SPARE RELATIVES

SING SING, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Two youths sentenced to be executed at Sing Sing prison this week have voluntarily shortened their lives by at least three days, in order that the grief of their relatives may be dulled as much as possible by Christmas, it was announced here last night.

They are Stanley J. Millstein, 19 years old, of Utica, who killed a policeman, and Charles Kumrow, 20, who killed a tug boat captain in Buffalo. They were to have been sent to the chair Friday or Saturday.

The young men sent Father Cashin, the prison chaplain, to Warden Moyer, however, and requested that they be executed Tuesday. To this, it was said, the warden assented, it being discretionary with him under the sentence of the court which merely stipulated the week in which the condemned youths were to be put to death.

"If we are killed Friday or Saturday," they told him, "our bodies will get home about Christmas day. If we are executed on Tuesday, by Friday we will have been buried and by Christmas day our relatives will have pulled themselves together."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HOLIDAY JOYS

Help to make this a useful Christmas. Give something that will lighten the labors of those you make glad. Something they will appreciate throughout the year.

Carving Sets, various designs.....$1.25 up
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CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS DEVOTIONS CLOSE

A pretty ceremony took place at the parish mass at St. Margaret's church yesterday, the occasion being the closing of the forty hours' devotions, which were started Friday morning. The service was largely attended and a special musical program was given by the choir. Rev. William H. O'Connell was the celebrant of the mass and present was Rev. C. J. Galligan, pastor. At the close of the mass a procession of the blessed sacrament took place, those participating being the clergy, altar boys and children of the parish.

St. Patrick's

The members of the Children of Mary sodality of St. Patrick's church received communion in a body at the 8.30 o'clock mass yesterday morning, the celebrant of the mass being Rev. Timothy P. Callahan. The parish mass was celebrated by Rev. James J. Kerrigan, while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. The pastor, Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien was the celebrant of the 7 o'clock mass.

Immaculate Conception

At the 7.30 o'clock mass at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday morning the members of the Third Order of St. Francis and the junior branch of the Children of Mary sodality received communion in a body. The celebrant was Rev. W. J. Stanton, O.M.I., and he was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O.M.I. The parish mass was celebrated by Rev. Owen P. McQaid, O.M.I., while the sermon was given by Rev Fr. Stanton, O.M.I.

St. Peter's

Rev. W. George Mullin was the celebrant of the 8.30 o'clock mass at St. Peter's church yesterday and at this mass the members of the Boys' sodality received communion in a body. Fr. Mullin was assisted in giving communion by Rev. P. L. Crayton. The celebrant of the parish mass was Rev. D. J. Heffernan, while Rev. Fr. Crayton delivered the sermon.

St. Michael's

The parish mass at St. Michael's church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. J. F. Lynch, while the sermon was given by Rev. Henry M. Tattan. The pastor, Rev. John J. Shaw, celebrated the 8 o'clock mass.

Sacred Heart

The monthly communion of the members of the Holy Angels sodality took place yesterday morning at the 8.30 o'clock mass at the Sacred Heart church, the celebrant of the mass being Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., pastor, and he was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Dennis J. Finnegan, O.M.I., while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O.M.I.

St. Columba's

Rev. P. J. Hally, pastor, celebrated the early masses at St. Columba's church yesterday and a feature of the 7 o'clock mass was the singing by the new children's choir. Rev. T. W. Buckley officiated at the parish mass and last evening at the vesper services a sermon was given by Rev. W. J. Stanton, O.M.I.

CUBA'S SUGAR YIELD BREAKS RECORD

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Cuba's sugar yield for 1916-1917 will be a record breaking one, according to cable advices received by the Federal Sugar Refining Co. The current crop will amount to 3,466,000 tons, as compared with 3,006,000 tons last year and 2,582,245 in the previous season, according to the messages. The large output is attributed largely to favorable weather.

TONIGHT

From 7 O'Clock Till 9 We Will Open the

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THERE WILL BE FIVE CLASSES

25c	50c	$1.00	$2.00	$5.00
Per Week	Per Week	Per Week	Per Week	Per Week

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